# THE TIME

# Labour votes by majority SPECIAL CARD I 6m to abolish the Lords

Labour Party conference at Brighton swhile imped itself into a passion yesterday over the eold question of the Upper House. Despite rial defences offered by two Labour peers, Parliamentary Correspondent writes, those Pully parliamentary Correspondent in damng their lordships to oblivion by a matter of 248,000 votes to 91,000.

# **Lord Shinwell says** priorities are wrong

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characteristically temperate
base in Labour Party conpage in Brighton erupted
to a base of emotion and soon vesterday as it passed a plurion by 6,248,000 votes to 000 to abolish the House of

An a symbol of virility for the House of Lords must me House of Lords must me high on the totem pole the only surprising feature of Egyerwhelming majority was sumber of fraternal delem who were prepared to risk find damnation by voting that Mr Jack Jones's motion. ourse, they may have are for the peerage and pre-second action on the lines of French Revolution. If so, my in the hall would clearly

gone along with them. ds as a negation of democthe parliamentary inent, the parliamentary The and the national execu-ficial to take every pos-tester towards its total abo-tion. The motion went on to mand the reform of Parlia-tation on "efficient single-ation legislating body with delay". Such measures, conference added, should be

of the 68 manifests.

Sale of price strope the first the sale bough he was not analous to the sale bough he was not analous to ke personal comments, the war secretary of the mighty succeed workers and General Workers ERANDED SEE I inherited their positions and estors were "cattle robbers, arrund of there and court prosti-

that some members of the aristocracy might occasionally consider Mr Jones, with his plans for a wealth tax and the nationalization of land, as being little better than a land thief or a cartle robber, the transport workers' leader thundered away about "this unelected unrepresentative and undemocratic in-stitution". With scornful references to petry privilege, pomp and ermine, he went on to describe the windictiveness with which the Upper Chamber had amended and delayed important sections of Labour legislation.

It was a real horror story and there was starcely any need and there was scarcely any need for the "beast of Bolsover", Mr Dennis Skinner, MP, for that luckless constituency, to add to the nightmare. But it is not easy to keep him down on his favourite subject. "When the lady in blue cannot stop Labour legislation in the Commons", he bellowed, "she gets her bovver boys in ermine to do the job for her."

While the conference was about it, he suggested, it should

about it, he suggested, it should also get rid of the honours system and political patronage. From the platform, Miss Joan Lestor, the chairman, looked vainly about in an attempt, as she said, to get a balanced debate, Just as everyone was deciding that balance was too the head on this was not to be had on this occasion and that it would take a mighty courageous peer to raise his head above the battle-ments, into the from line-charged the elegant but formic the Lady Llewelyn Davies of Hastoe. Government Chief Whip in the Lads.

As the knitting needles clicked around her she agreed that although the present hereditary position was "notally indefensible" Bills did need revising Labour peers worked hard and long and the confer-ence should not pass the



Lord Shinwell: It would be better to get a reasonable balance into the House of Lords than cut the peers' throats, but you can "go very close to it".

sense to change the Constituabout what the next step should

As for Mr Skinner, if he had so much spare time he could "damn weil come up and help us", and she would lend him her ermine cloak to be her

The thought of Mr Skinner as a "bovver boy" was easier for the conference to swallow than of Mr Skinner in ermine. sympathetically. Encouraged by her example, Lord Shinwell stormed to the rostrum. Ninety three on Tuesday week, Lord Shinwell had attended the 1918 conference of the party when abolition of the Lords was first

Politely, he thanked Mr Skinner and Mr Jones for their thanked Mr efforts to rescue him from the Chamber, but he regretted that no one had ever tried to lure him into the paths of un-righteousness. He was, however, always open to offers. He rebuked delegates for

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Protesters arrested

Sugar talks accord

Duke on Gilbraltar

Sir de Villiers retires

Two human rights activists have been arrested

at the Belgrade conference reviewing the Helsinki agreement, which contains provisions on

activists, who have been more discreet, are still campaigning. The Swedish delegate told the conference his government would draw attention to all violation of human rights

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A last-minute compromise on sugar quotas has ended the search in Geneva for a new agreement

to ensure equitable prices and supplies in the

world market. The 72-nation accord, which will last for five years, specifies a price range of 11 to 21 cents a lb. Present market price is 7 cents a lb. Page 7

The Duke of Edinburgh told King Juan Carlos of Spain that Britain was fed up with Gibraltar, according to extracts just published from the memoirs of Senor José Maria de Arielza, the

former Spanish Foreign Minister. He said King Juan Carlos told him of the conversation Page 7

Sir de Villiers Grasff, leader of the Opposition

the determination to oppose the Nationalist

Cricketers' dispute. Alan Knott and Derek Underwood, the England Test cricketers, gave details in the High Court of how they became

engaged to play in the Packer series

human rights. However, another group

in Belgrade

suggestion was to move step by step, reducing the number of hereditary peers as the first

the whole he advised them against cutting the throats of the aristocracy, but he concluded: "You can go close to it."

With a joyous roar of applause for one of the most respected of the party's elder statesmen, the conference decided that Lord Shinwell's idea of a slow death for peers was just not on.
Our Political Correspondent
writes: Nearly all the front-

bench government spokesmen in the House of Lords and Lord Elwyth Jones, the Lord Chancelfor were present to hear the

There had been some argument among Labour peers about whether they should intervene. They decided that to abstain would be cowardly. After the result Lady Llewelyn-Davies said: Lebour

peers will take this decision with their usual loyal calm. In ence should not pass the getting more worked up over some ways, the present motion without deciding what the Lords then over all the absurdity of the House of Lords should replace the Upper other important matters de is a strength to the party

bated, from the economy and because Conservative peers dare the EEC to unemployment. His not use it as much as they not use it as much as they would like to". EEC debate: Mr Foot, the

Leader of the Commons, who has to carry next session a Bill for direct elections to the European Parliament but is notoriously no friend to Europeanism, was cunningly set up at the conference to kill off the anti-European argument that the United Kingdom should withdraw from the EEC and go for a somewhat undefined form of international socialism.

He won the day easily, largely calling in aid, ironically, the famous anti-European confer-ence speech of Hugh Gaitskell ("the end of a thousand years of history") delivered at a conference in Brighton 15 years ago.

As on every day of what is regarded as this pre-election conference, the block votes of the trade union magnates in the middle of the hall were guaranteed for the platform, and there was never any doubt about the overwhelming defeat of the anti-EEC voices that had

ing and comfortable". He returned in the afternoon, dominated the debate.

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# **US** soothes Israel with compromise over Geneva talks

New York, Oct 5
President Carter and Mr

Moshe Dayan, the Israeli Foreign Minister, resolved some of the newly-created differences between their countries in a marathon negotiating session here last night.

The two met just before 7 pm and their talks continued until 2 am, with a break for dinner. President Carter went to bed at about midnight, leaving Mr Cyrus Vance, the Secretary of State, to carry on the discus-

sions.
What emerged at the end of that I was a three-paragraph communique pointing out that the Soviet-American statement on the Middle East last Saturday, which provoked so much hostility from the Jergelie and day, which provoked so much their supporters, does not have to be accepted by all parties before the Geneva peace con-ference can be reconvened. The Israelis objected to the phrase "legitimate rights of the Pale-stringer," which appeared in stinians" which appeared in that statement.

At last night's meeting the leaders adopted a "working paper" about the procedure to be followed in reconvening the Geneva conference. Its contents are being kept secret but it obviously is concerned chiefly with Palestinian representation. The Israelis have already agreed that there should be such representation at Geneva but will not accept the presence of a delegation from the Palestine Liberation Organiza-

The Egyptians and the other Arab nations have so far in-sisted on the PLO being repre-sented formally. Their reaction

bury last night visited the

Earlier an official statement

still facing the possibility of

a miscarriage." The Duke, who spent two and a half hours with his wife in the morning, said

afterwards that she was

bedside

hurrying inside.

agreement will be crucial. At a press conference early this morning Mr Dayan was unequivocal about Israel's continued refusal to talk to the PLO. "We shall not negotiate and have in Geneva the PLO" he said, " and we shall not nego-tiate for a Palestinian state. Whatever conclusion you can draw from that, you would be

He went on: "Everybody, absolutely everybody, realizes that when we talk about the resumption of a Geneva peace conference, it must be on the basis of 338 and 242 and noth-ing else." These are the num-bers of the key Security Council resolutions on the Middle East. The early morning com-munique confirmed that both continue to regard the resolutions as a basis for the resump-

tion of the Geneva talks.

Mr Dayan did indicate some flexibility, though, when he suggested that Lebanon might be allowed to join the Geneva talks. It is possible that there may be some thought of having PLO representatives in

Lebanese delegation.
While the Americans have met some Israeli objections by asserting that their joint state-ment with the Soviet Union is not binding on all Geneva participants, they have not retracted the statement. It remains the formal declaration of the United States position.
As such, the Americans hope that the Arabs may be encouraged to resume the Geneva talks on the strength of

### Dr Coggan Firemen's strike shuts visits **Gatwick** the Duchess The Archbishop of Canter-

Gatwack airport is closed to passenger traffic until 2 pm today, the British Air-ports Authority (BAA) said last night. The decision was made

bury last night visited the Duchess of Kent at King Edward VII's Hospital for Officers, London, where she is being treated for complications in her four-month pregnancy. Dr Coggan, a friend of the family from the days when he was Archbishop of York, spent about a quarter of an hour at the hospital. He joined the Duke of Kent at the Duchess's bedside cause of a strike by airport firemen which started at 8 pm last night. They stopped work in support of a strike over grading by 80 engineering craftsmen employed at Gatwick, whose action started on September 28.

The Duke had returned some "Both the 15 minutes earlier, parking his entirely unofficial and are against the advice of the unions' national officers. It is car outside the main dier and not expected that any other surport will be affected by the said that the Duchess, who is 44, was well in herself but dispute", the BAA said.

Empty aircraft, private airconld operate without fire cover.

The strike had left about 1,200 passengers stranded at Gatwick waiting for 12 flights. Airlines were making arrange-ments to fly them from other

A total of 31 incoming flights had also been diverted to other airports. Most were going to

The Laker Skytrain would be held at Kennedy airport, New York, for more than four hours because of the closure, the airline said. It was also delaying the departure for Gatwick of its

## Evidence of new nervous system discovered

From Pearce Wright Stockholm, Oct 5

A new nervous system has been discovered, according to findings to be published soon in research papers that could overturn the accepted view of how nerves throughout the body work.

They suggest that control over major arteries, the oesophagus, the stomach, the bladder and other major organs involves a network of nerve cells hitherto unrecognized. The findings could offer a new approach in treatment of gastro-intestinal complaints, cardin-vascular conditions, incontinence glaucoma, the eye disease.

Before then, however, there will be much scientific controversy. The new results which follow extensive investigations at University College, London, under Professor Geoffrey Burstock and in collaboration with many other groups in Britain, were outlined here today in the most provocative presenta tion made to a special ressure symposium organized by the Menarini Foundation, at the Swedish Society for Medical

As well as challenging some dogmas, Professor Burstock broke from the theme of the meeting. Many of the contribu-tions had been about the search for new natural substances in organisms as the source of agents for source of agents for medicine—such as hormones, vitamins, and antibiotics and analgesics-rather than manufacture of synthetic che

He felt the division was arrificial because many synthetic chemicals were more effective and less harmful than treatments with some natural products. He focused on the reexamination of the role of one of the most well-known biochemicals in the body.

With an avalanche of evi-

dence, he suggested that this substance, Adenosine Triphosphate (ATP), was the essential ingredient in a third type of nerve. There are two cally accepted nerves, the cholinergic and the andrenergic. Their names indicate the different chemical reactions by which they transmit their control messages, and on this basis the new nerve has been termed purinergic. Nerves differ only in that

they use different substances to pass their impulses along. The new type differs slightly because ATP, the main substance that it stores and uses to transmit messages, is found in almost every cell of the body. It is the main biochemi cal for keeping the living cell supplied with nutrients

Professor Burstock said,
"You can call it the biochemists' molecule, which may
make it would be seen the said. it more difficult for them than others of us who are physiologists, anatomists or neurologists to accept that such a ubiquitous substance could be the transmitter for a third nerve".

Confirmation of the hypothesis is painstaking because ATP is so widespread. Tests must show that it is the raw material from which a string of biochemical reactions flow, making a nerve impulse.

In the meantime, some clini-cal specialists are already examing the possible use of a thirdnerve system in treating some skin disorders, irritation of the

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bected to improve on a 10.6 cent pay offer. terals alarmed: The Liberal rive is alarmed that the Government may have decided to missive in a Ford offer above per cent Lady Seear, the type sockerment or employto to import Cortinas, page 21

## Bank may cut lending rate A further cut in the Bank of England's mini-

mum lending rate, probably by half a point to 51 per cent, seems likely tomorrow despite signals that the Bank wants moderation in the downward trend. Meanwhile, Barclaycard yesterday cut its rate of interest on outstandingyesterday cut its rate of interest on outstanding-balances from 2 to 12 per cent a month, bring-ing it into line with Access, the rival credit card operation. Sterling had another good day, closing at \$1.7573, the highest for 13 months

# Baby battering warning

An average of two babies will be battered to death by their parents every week in England and Wales, according to the latest estimates of the National Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Children. Page 5

### Mr Prior courts unions

Mr Prior, opposition spokesman on employment, has decided to stake his future on a policy of accommodation with the unions. He expects a clear majority at the party conference for the official line on the closed shop and says he will resign if the Shadow Cabinet switches to a harsher view of labour relations

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### Anti-crime campaign

An £80,000 crime prevention campaign was launched by Mr David McNee, Commissioner fainched by Mr David microcal continuous of the Metropolitan Police. The signs indicated, he said, that this year would be "jackpot year" for the criminal. The purpose of the campaign was to highlight the measures everyone could take to defeat the criminal Page 4

### BBC 'bleeding to death

The BBC is bleeding to death because of its poor rates of pay, according to a group of 13 broadcasting unious and associated bodies. The group says the corporation is subsidized by its 26,000 staff, whose pay is at least 30 per cent below that of comparable workers

Page 2 below that of comparable workers

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# Suicide verdict on Sir Eric Miller

Sir Eric Miller killed him-self with a single shot through the brain, Dr Paul Knapman, the Westminster deputy coroner, said yesterday. He found that all the evidence pointed to a deliberate act of suicide.

Dr Knapman said he would record that Sir Eric, aged 50, former head of the Peachey Property Corporation, had killed himself.

"I am satisfied that Sir Eric had considerable worries on his mind and I think it would serve no useful purpose for me to hear details in open court today. All the evidence cer-tainly points to a deliberate act of suicide.

"He was a worried man. It

was a worried man. It was the Day of Atonement. The site of entry of the bullet is an elective site for self-infliction. It is his pistol, and there is no evidence whatsoever of any other party being involved. There is no note."

According to evidence at the inquest Sir Eric had been watchinquest Sir Eric had been watching the commercial television series Power without Glory shortly before his death. The series is about a self-made man. Lady Miller said her husband turned on the television just before midnight on September 21 because he was suffering the middestrion and could not in South Africa for more than 20 years, is retiring from politics before next month's general election. The United Party, which he led from 1956, was dissolved recently. Sir de Villiers is regarded as a statesman like figure who lacked Miniature sold: A portrait said to represent Anne Lady Hunsdon, by Nicholas Hilliard, the Elizabethen miniaturist, realized 57,428 at a New from indigestion and could not sleep. He had not visited the synagogue with her and the

children because he had been She arrived home at Little Boltons, Kensington, at about 11.30 pm. She gave her husband two sleeping pills and he turned off the television.

"But then he decided to put the television on again", she said. "He was suffering from indigestion and we discussed whether he should take medicine because he was intending to fast for the Day of Atonecould turn the television back on because he wanted to get

by her daughter, Sarah, who said: "Where's daddy?"

It was disclosed yesterday that Mr Raymond Kidwell, QC, has started intensive questioning of Peachey corporation officials after attending the Windscale inquiry in Cumbria. He is one of two inspectors inquiring into the company's transactions during the chair manship of Sir Eric. Mr Stanley Samwell, his

chartered accountant co-inspector, has been collecting

### Talks fail to end funeral strike for United

More than a hundred extra ciliarion and Arbitration Service failed to end the strike by the National Union of Funeral Service Operatives in London last night. Today, Mr James Morrimer, chairman of the service, will meet union leaders and employers.

Mr Roy Wheeler, union night's match, won 2-0 by United, not one arrest was

organizer, said he had asked made. colleagues on the Continent not to release bodies for buriel in

# ment. He took indigestion tablets and then asked if he

Lady Miller said she fell asleep but was awakened later

"I told her that he must be in the bathroom but she said he was not there. Then Sarah said: 'You'd better come quickly, I heard noises in the garden and I heard two loud bangs. I went into a bedroom overlooking the garden and saw

Professor Donald Teare, who conducted a post-mortem examination said the cause of death was laceration of the brain due to a bullet wound. Inspector Michael Gower said a pistol which was found in the garden, was cocked. There were five rounds in the magazine which could hold seven. The pistol automatically recoiled, and in the reflex action of Sir Eric's fall it could have gone off a second

documents, but with Mr Kid-well's examination the investigation has begun in earnest. The inquiry was set up by the Department of Trade in April under a section of the Companes Act, 1948, covering allegations of fraud, misfeas

## Trouble-free win Talks with the Advisory, Con-

police from Cornwall and Devon were sent to Plymouth last night for the replay of the game between Manchester United and St Etienne which brought vio-lence to the home ground of the French team. But at last

The match was played before 30,000 people. No trouble was reported. Norman Fox, page 10

# VC10s from Toronto, Vancouver other wound. Gower Found 'ved. Ne colon and other complaints. and Barbados.

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Prices for

miniatures

By Geraldine Norman Sale Room Correspondent
A delicious little portrait miniature said to represent Anne Lady Hunsdon, by Nicholas Hilliard, the great Edizabethan miniaturist, was sold by Sotheby Parke Bernet in New York yesterday for \$13,000 (£7,428). The estimate was between \$15,000 and \$20,000.

was botween \$15,000 \$20,000. The price underlines

The price underlines the illogicality of the £64,000 (estimate £6,000 to £8,000) psid at Sotheby's in London in July for a Hilliard miniature of a nobleman.

One of the delights of Hilliard is the delicacy with which he portrays lace, jewels, and details of costume in his miniatures. The Lady Hunsdon portrait had all those as well

portrait had all those as well as rich auburn hair, but Hilliard had signed the miniature of the nobleman and only six signed miniatures by him are

fluctuate

Hilliard

# BBC 'bleeding to death' because of meanness and cowardice, 13 broadcasting unions maintain

By Kenneth Gosling
The Radio and Television
Safeguards Committee, a group
of 13 broadcasting unions and
associated bodies representing
150,000 members, said yesterday that the BBC was "bleeding to death".

In a statement to the Home

Secretary, the committee said:
"It is being destroyed by a mixture of meanness, cowardice and indifference on the part of the Government and the BBC

The corporation's activities, it said, were subsidized by its staff of 26,000, whose rates of pay were 30 per cent or more below those of staff doing comparable work elsewhere, and by the casual employment of the stage of the casual employment. of thousands of performers, writers, actors and musicians and other professional con-tributors at "totally inade-Quate " fees.

Dozens of jobs and job opportunities are being lost to staff and performers. Men and women, many of whom have given or would have been pre-

Birmingham
The Institute of Journalists, at its annual conference in Bir-

before next May about affiliat-ing to the TUC. Before then,

the institute's council will ini-tiate a nationwide debate of

members at district level on the advantages and disadvan-

rages of applying for affilia-

Speakers who pressed for affiliation said it was a matter

and its members. It was impor-rant to be able to make its

voice heard where it counted.
One speaker said: "We are

British gift

to Vietnam

hospital fund

A government grant of £25,000 will go towards the cost

of building a hospital in Viet-nam, Mrs Judith Hart, Minister

for Overseas Development, is

expected to announce in the

next few days. Her decision is likely to have

a mixed reception from her ministerial colleagues.

While not questioning the merits of such a grant, it is felt by other ministers that the

Conservatives could use the decision as an example of gov-

ernment priorities when deter-mining how raxpayers' money

Mrs Hart, it is understood, has informed the Scottish cam-paign for a hospital in Vietnam that the money will be granted

by the Government. The cam-

paign is hoping to raise £20,000

in a nationwide attempt to reach the target of £500,000.

Strathclyde police are investigating the disappearance from offices in Glasgow of more than 4,500 Giro cheques with a face value of more than £250,000.

Giro cheques stolen

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shall be spent.

of urgency and significance for amalgamation. the very future of the institute During a

vice to the BBC, are leaving or being driven out." the commit-

Mr Anthony Hearn, general Mr Anthony Hearn, general secretary of the Association of Broadcasting and Allied Staffs, said a pay offer might be made by the BBC to the broadcasting unions next week but it still had to be approved by the Government. "We warn the BBC in advance that if the offer is in the terms of the White Paper we will reject it."

Mr Hearn said the Federation of Broadcasting Unions had asked for a meeting with the Home Secretary and before that meeting intended to see Mr Ian Trethowan, director-general of

Trethowan, director-general of the BBC, to seek information about the number of staff leav-

In its statement, the safe-guards committee said that if the BBC and the system of public service broadcasting it represented were to survive, the Government must give it the money necessary to restore its programmes, maintain its lead as a programme-maker, and pay

Journalists' ballot on joining TUC

An additional advantage would be the availability of the TUC's

the profession.

The conference overwhelm-

ingly defeated a motion which suggested, after recommenda-tions from the Royal Commis-

sion on the Press and from

Acas, that the institute should

immediately open further and final talks with the National Union of Journalists, about

During a discussion about the growing number of NUJ members who are joining the

An attempt by members of the United Kingdom Association of

Professional Engineers (Ukape) to be granted negotiating rights in a Bedford-based engineering company has been rejected by

the Advisory, Conciliation and Arbitration Service (Acas). The

service's own inquiry had shown

that an overwhelming number of relevant staff wished to be

represented by the association.
Acas officials made their decision after hearing that

recognition for the association

would be strongly opposed by the Engineering Employers' Federation and the Confedera-tion of Shipbuilding and

Officials of the association plan to meet in London today to continue their campaign for recognition at the firm of W. H.

Allen Sons and Co Ltd, bedford.

The Acas inquiry found that in the area claimed by the association, described as "pro-

association, described as "pro-fessional technical staff", there was an overwhelming wish to

have terms and conditions determined by collective bar-

gaining.
In the same area, 79 per cent

of the respondents said they would wish Ukape to represent them. Within a wider techni-

Engineering Unions.

By Tim Jones Labour Reporter

institute primarily because of any time for thos the union's left-wing inspired to seek admission.'

Acas rejects appeal for

a role in negotiation

mingham yesterday decided to disputes' committee to help hold a ballot of its members settle the closed shop issue in

Many believed that the Gov-erument was using its power to determine the BBC's income as a means of controlling its activities. Beyond incomes policy lay the more sinister threat that, somer or later, the Government would use the financial whip to impose editorial control.

If it did so, it would destroy
any system of independent public service broadcasting that was

worth having.
Pay guidelines blamed: Mr
Alastair Hetherington, Controller of BBC Scotland, said yesterday the corporation was losing staff to other employers on an unprecedented scale because of the Government's pay restric-tions (the Press Association re-ports). If that continued the BBC's broadcasting standards broadcasting standards

would be seriously undermined. Mr Hetherington, who was speaking at a press conference in Glasgow, suggested that an independent examination should be carried out on how BBC pay rates compared with those of competing employers to show the anomalies and distortions that BBC staff were suffering.

policies, it was said: "We should be recruiting as hard as

spoud be recruiting as hard as we can. But please turn away the selfish characters who just want somewhere to hide."

Mr Alan Holden, manager of BBC Radio London, who was involved in the dismissal from the corporation of Mr Denis McShape the unjoy's vice.

the corporation of Mr Denis McShane, the union's vicepresident and president-elect, said: "I left the NUJ after 29 years because of the activities of some elements in it. I nave seen the presures to which some members, are being exposed, and I do not hesitate to say I have seen blackmail used on some of them. We

used on some of them. We

should keep our doors open at

cal group 35 per cent wished Ukape to represent them, 33 per cent wished to be represented by the technical section or the

engineering union, and 14 per cent wanted their bargaining to be conducted by the Association

of Scientific, Technical and Managerial Staffs.

Members of the employers' federation told Acas officials that against the background of

the national framework of re-

cognition agreements, which

they regarded as providing a

stable foundation for collective bargaining within the engineer-

ing industry, "the introduction of yet more organizations into the field . . . would be disrup-

tive".
The Confederation of Ship-

building and Engineering Unions maintained that the

unions within the confederation

In its report Acas states: The wishes of the workers con-

cerned are always an important factor for the service to consider. Novetheless, in deciding whether to make a recommendation the

into account a number of other int oaccount a number of other considerations: for example . . . the views of all parties concerned and any existing bargaining procedures, including industry-wide arrangements to which the

qualified engineers.

signed miniatures by him are recorded.

Lady Hunsdon is dated to about 1585, the period of Hilliard's mature style.

Both miniatures came from the collection of the late Mrs Greta S. Heckett. Yesterday's sale was the third devoted to her collection by Sotheby's; the first was held in Monaco and the second in London. the second in London.

Mrs Heckett, who died in 1976, was the widow of a Pittsburgh steel magnate and formed collections of miniatures, Roman coins and antiquities.

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Shell backs

employees

Industrial Correspondent

Shell has followed ICI in

Shell has followed ICI in offering to support employees who seek election to Parliament. They will be offered reengagement at the job level at which they resigned if they wish to return to industry.

Mr Peter Linklater, personnel director for Shell UK, said the company felt that it was in the public interest that employees should not be deterred by fear of losing future pros-

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pects in industry and pension rights if they failed to establish

an alternative career in Parlia

Employees would still resign from the company when and if they entered Parliament. But

the assurances of continuing in-terest by Shell would continue

for two complete Parliaments, or seven years, whichever was

Arrangements would be made, he continued, to protect individuals interest in a Shell

pension over the period. If they rejoined, their period of

parliamentary service could count towards a Shell pension.

of blackmail plot

Mrs Jean Storer, aged 48, of Bournemouth, and Denis John

Thompson, aged 30, her son by a previous marriage, were cleared at the Central Criminal

Court yesterday of plotting to blackmail Mrs Storer's husband.

The defence submitted that the supposed plot had been con-cocted by Mr John Storer, a

Woman cleared

as MPs

By Peter Hill

ment.

The Hilliard miniature, said to represent Anne Lady Hunsdon. sale of miniatures proved com-petitive and the sale made £54,808, with no lots failing to English miniaturists were the English miniaturists were the stars of the sale. An oval miniature of a powdered, provocative belie by John Smart, signed and dated 1784, realized \$5,500 (£3,142)—estimate \$2,500. \$3,000. An oval miniature of a young lady by Smart's rival George Engleheart made \$3,250 (estimate \$1,500-\$2,000)

There was also one of the open of the late of t

the hand of the Irish arrist Mrs Anne Mee. An oval, 23in high, it depicts a young lady dressed up in military uniform. By tradition the sitter is believed to be the Hon Susan Carew, wearing the uniform of an officer in the Grenadier con-

MPs should make nuclear decisions, inquiry told

From a Special Correspondent

The decision-making pro-cedure should be changed, so that a higher authority than the local planning authority is ultimately responsible for determining all but minor applications for development in the nuclear power industry, Mr David Hall, director of the Town and Country Planning Association, told the Wind-scale inquiry at Whitehaven

yesterday.
Mr Hall urged the inquiry inspector, Mr Justice Parker, to make recommendations to the Secretary of State for the

Men for trial in

John Peel

grave case

Cumbria, yesterday.

wardens, on January 23.

Wigton

From Our Correspondent

Three men alleged to have

been involved in the desecra-

tion of the grave of John Peel,

the huntsman, at Caldbeck,

Cumbria, were committed on bail for trial at Carlisle Crown

Court by Wigton magistrates,

They pleaded not guilty to damaging a headstone in Cald-

beck churchyard, the property of the rector and church-

The defendants are David Hough, aged 48, a company director, of Farriers Road, Middle Barton, near Banbury, Oxfordshire; Michael Huskisson, aged 23, a postgraduate student of Blacksmith Close

student, of Blacksmith Close, Huntingdon; and Gary Tread-well, aged 21, unemployed, of Farriers Road, Middle Barton.

sion-making process, regardless of the specific recommenda-tions on British Nuclear Fuels'

plan to build an oxide repro-cessing plant at Windscale, Cumbria.

Any development on the site of a nuclear installation should be the responsibility of central government, Mr Hall said.

Because of the social, eco-nomic, ethical and socio-political senects of the development of

aspects of the development of nuclear power, Parliament should be formally involved, through the medium of a select committee, with access to independent expert advice.

### | ICI union yields on phase two

Labour Reporter

The agreement was reached reluctantly by the Association of Scientific, Technical and Managerial Staffs in London. Mr Roger Lyons, national officer responsible for the industry, said yesterday that the company had agreed to reply next month to the productivity demand.

The chemical workers had been seeking 35 per cent rises. The union says that elsewhere in the industry productivity deals are being reached for between 6 and 17 per cent more, effective from August I.

In its bargaining the union is introducing the concept of added value, the surplus left after deducting costs of raw materials and fixed capital investment. In effect the claim amounts to profit distribution.

By Christopher Thomas

Labour Reporter

A phase two deal, giving up to £4 a week, backdated to June 1, has been accepted by 34,000 white-collar workers at ICL thus removing a pocket of resistance to the 12-month rule. But there is to be a drive for big productivity

The agreement was reached

The chemical workers had

# Union may end ban on communist officials

By Our Labour Editor
Merger ralks which opened
yesterday in Brighton may end
the 10-year ban on communists
holding office in the electricians union.
Leaders of the Union of Construction, Allied Trades and
Technicians (Ucatt) discussed
amalgamation with the Electrical Electronic, Telecommunication and Plumbing Union
(EETPU) into a body with
more more than 700,000 members. The prospects will be discussed by the unions' executives.

Mr George Smith, general secretary of Ucatt, said the electricians political ban would be "a casualty" if a merger occurred. The construction workers have full-time officials also belong to the Communist who belong to the Communist.
Party and their continued employment would have to be safeguarded.

safeguarded.

If negotiations fail, the ban may be lifted next month at the EETPU's rules revision conference in Blackpool. Motions from several branches call for its end but the union's executive has yet to determine its position. One motion, however, calls for retention of the banant its extension to fascist convenientions.

The electricians are also well advanced in smalgamation talks with the engineering section of the Amlagamated Union of Engineering Workers with the aim of establishing a craft union to rival the Transport and General Workers' Union.
The AUEW also has full-time officials and many shop stewards who are Communist

The ban was imposed in the early 1960s after a court action found that communists had rigged ballots for high office in the electricians union to maintain their control.

In the intervening years, the electricians have courted other unions with a view to amalgamation, particularly the General and Municipal Workers' Union (GMWU), but the GMWU refused to adopt secret postal belloting, independently supervised, for election to high office.

Etchings stolen.

Four etchings, including a Rembrandt, and a painting by an unknown artist have been stolen from Stonyhurst college, near Clitheroe, Lancashire.

Charges after stabbing Three boys will appear at Chelsea Juvenile Court, London, today after an incident in King's Road, on Sunday is which a coloured policeman was stabbed four times.



Mr Costello : general."

### **Extremist** killed in Dublin From Christopher Walker

Mr Seamus Costello, oncise regarded by British security forces as one of the most dangerous revolutionary organizer on either side of the Irish border, was shot dead yester day in the docks district of Dublin.

Dublin.

Known to fellow republican as "the boy general", M. Costello was leader of the Irisi Republican Socialist Party, group of left-wing extremist which split from the Marxist oriented Official IRA in 197-and forged close links with the Provisional wing. The Officia IRA denied last night any o its members had been involved in the killing.

It was the second dayligh political killing in Dublic within four weeks, and co-incided with an announcement from the British Governmen that September was the first month in which a civilian had not been killed in a terrorist incident in Ulster since June

Mr Costello was killed with a sawn-off shotgun while sitting in his car. The killer made off in another car. Less than 24 hours before, the Dub drop an anti-terrorist lay which allowed suspects to be questioned up to seven day without charge.

Mr Costello, aged 38, was and

aggressive erator. His fanctical dedication to a united Ireland dedication to a united Ireland had led him into conflict will many of his former associates. In 1973 Kenneth Little john, one of two English brothers jailed for bank robbery in Dublin, claimed that he had been ordered to mural he had been ordered to mural.

der Mr Costello on behalf British intelligence. That claim was denied Costello was suspected by the British security forces of being the force behind violent inc-dests our both sides of the busider.

# Ministry offers help to potato farmers

Our Agricultural Government aid to protect

farmers against the falling price of potatoes was announced yesterday. It will be based on the guarantee of £46.50 a ton fixed by ministers last spring although farmers said it was inadequate. The Potato Marketing Board

The Potato Marketing Board said yesterday that minimum prices to farmers had fallen below £30 a ton throughout Britain and minimum shop prices had fallen to 2p a pound in England and Wales and 3p in Scotland, making fresh potatoes the cheapest foodstuff in the country.

The Ministry of Agriculture The Ministry of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food said the board would accept suitable stocks at £44.71 a ton.

such stocks for animal feed urless convinced they would no be needed for human consump Fishermen's plea: Inshore fish

ermen called yesterday fo stronger government commit ment to an exclusive 50-mik zone round British coasts. The want ministers to press for EEC policies that will protect the expanding British inshort fleet rather than treating it a part of a wider struggle than includes the declining distance

includes the declining distance water fleet.

Mr James Lovie, chief executive of the Sconish Fist ermen's Organisation, said "We are looking for survivalin the next two or the spars."

# Man and daughter accused of gross neglect of recluse

A grant of £11,540 has been given to London University's School of Oriental and African Studies by the Nuffield Foundation for a year's investigation or language and cultural diffimities faced by the 15,000 Chinese children at school in Promoting music They made no attempt to seek A joint committee has been set up by the Songwriters' Guild of Great Britain and the Composers' Guild of Great Britain to explore ways of helping one another to promote living British music at home and abroad. medical help for her although she was "visibly wasting away before their very eyes", Mr Chedlow, for the prosecution,

a coach builder, and his daughter, Mrs Cynthia West, aged 41, a civil servant, both of Austin Street, Hanley, Staffordshire, pleaded not guilty to the manslaughter of Mrs Ada Wilkinger was so badly neglected by her husband and daughter that she died weighing 62lb, Mr Barry Chedlow, QC, said at Birmingham Crown Court yesterday.

Wilkinson.

Mr Chedlow said Mrs Wilkinson, a vegetarian with a rather eccentric view about food, was not fond of doctors. In 1967, the last time a doctor saw her, the beauty the life of a recluse. added. she began the life of a recluse.
Stanley Wilkinson, aged 65, taking to her bed in a down-

behind drawn curtains and saw no one.

Prom 1972 she never left the room. She would not bathe, wash or attend to her hair.
What food she had was prepared by her husband and she
was left alone each morning when he and his daughter went

Her deaf sister, aged 77, visited her most afternoons but, apart from one occasion when

to work.

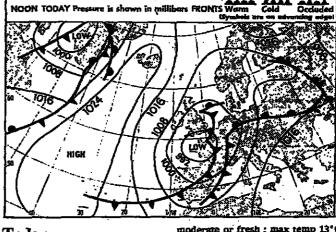
neighbours' curiosity brought a policeman to investigate, they were the only people who saw her from 1967 until she died.

In September, 1973, a social worker left her card, inviting the family to get in touch with her, but nothing was done. No help was sought for Mrs Wilkinson, who was visibly wasting away. The prosecution blamed her death on the husband and daughter's "gross neglect".

The trial continues today.



# Weather forecast and recordings



Today Sun rises: Sun sets: 7.9am 6.28pm 6.28pm Moon sets: Moon rises: 3.13pm 12.52am New moon: October 12. Lighting up : 6.58pm to 6.41am. water: London Bridge, 5.7m (18.8ft); 8.51pm, 8.5am, 5.7m (18.6ft); 8.51pm, 12.49am, 9.6m (31.4ft); 1.19pm, 9.5m (31.3ft); Dover, 5.43am, 5.1m (16.8ft); 6.30pm, 5m (16.5ft); 6.30pm, 5.5m (18ft); Liverpool, 5.50am, 7m (23ft); 6.18pm, 7.1m (23.3ft).

Forecasts for 6 am to midnight:
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England, East Anglia, Midlands,
Channel Islands, 5 Wales: Rain,
heavy in places; wind, E,

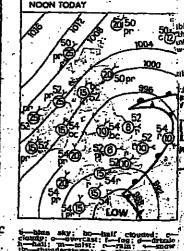
E, NE England, Borders, Edinburgh, Dundee, Aberdeen: Rather cloudy, outbreaks of rain, hill fog; wind E, fresh or strong; may temp 11°C (52°F).

N Wales, Lake District, Isle of Man. NW, central N England, SW Scotland, Giasgow, Argyll. N Ireland: Sunny intervals, isolated showers, wind N, fresh; max temp 11°C (52°F).

Central Highlands, Moray Firth, NE. NW. Scotland, Orkney, Shetland: Sunny intervals, shower; wind N, moderate or fresh; max temp 10°C (50°F).

Outlook for tomorrow and Saturday: Continuing ansertied.
Sea passages: S North Sea, Strait of Dover: Wind S to SE, fresh or strong; sea moderate or rough.

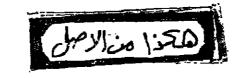
English Channel (E): Wind N.



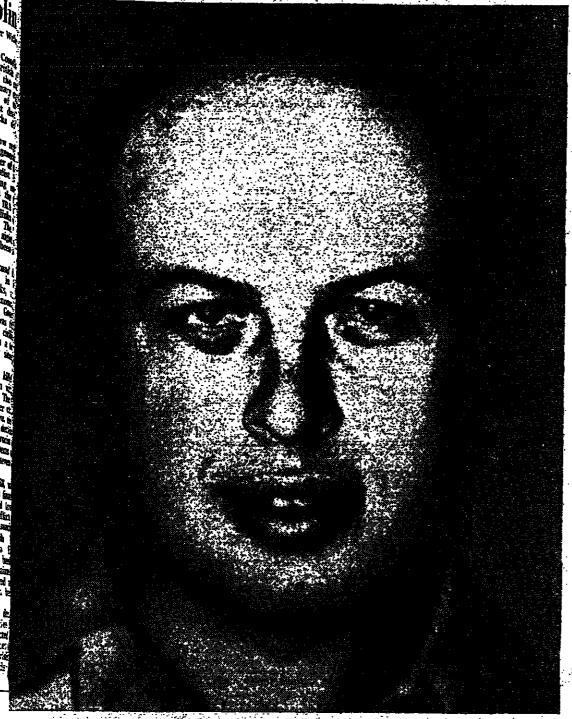
St George's Channel, Irish Sea Wind N or NE, strong perhap increasing gale later; sea rough or very rough.

Yesterday

London: Temp: max 7 am to rpm, 75°C (59°F); min 7 pm to 7 am. 10°C (50°F). Humidity rma, 85 per cent. Rain, 24 hr to 7 pm, 0.2m. Sun, 24 hr to 7 pm, 0.5hr. Bar, mean sea level, 7 pm; 299.3 millibars, falling, 1,000 millibars=29.53in.



# October 6th. Aday to think about human rights. And Anatoly Sharansky.



Today, in Belgrade, 35 nations are meeting to review progress in the defence of human rights as laid down at Helsinki in 1975.

Today a man, Anatoly Sharansky, will have been held for 6 months 22 days incommunicado in the K.G.B. investigating prison, Lefortovo.

His parents have been told that he is to be charged with treason for which the maximum sentence is death.

To date no official charge has been made. No lawyer prepared to plead his innocence is allowed to represent him.

The International Appeal for his release, printed below, gives the essence of events leading to his arrest.

Similar appeals have also been launched in other European countries, Canada and the United States.

## INTERNATIONAL APPEAL FOR THE RELEASE OF ANATOLY SHARANSKY.

We call upon Kurt Waldheim the Secretary General of the United Nations, Leonid Brezhnev, President of the Soviet Union and Dr. David Owen, Foreign Secretary of Great Britain, to note the arrest in Moscow on March 15th 1977 of ANATOLY SHARANSKY a leader of the Soviet Jewish community.

Since 1973, Anatoly Sharansky has been denied the right to leave the USSR and join his wife in spite of guarantees by the Universal Declaration of Human Rights and recommendations of the European Agreement on Security and Cooperation.

In May 1976, Sharansky became a member of the

Dr. Harry Kay,

GROUP FOR THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE HELSINKI AGREEMENT IN THE USSR. On March 15th 1977, he was arrested following libellous allegations in the official Soviet press that he and other Soviet Jewish leaders were employed by the CIA and therefore guilty of treason. THIS CHARGE HAS BEEN REPUTED BY

PRESIDENT CARTER AFTER INTENSIVE INVESTIGATION. We appeal to the Secretary General of the United Nations, the President of the Soviet Union and Foreign Secretary of Great Britain, to take every possible action to ensure that Anatoly Sharansky be released.

# Nearly 2,000 signatures of prominent citizens have already been received.

They have been sent to Kurt Waldheim, President Brezhney and Dr. David Owen. Lack of space prohibits us publishing them all and we apologise to those whose names do not appear.

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# The appeal will continue until Anatoly Sharansky is released.

Magdalene College, Cambridge.

If you wish to add your signature please write to one of the joint chairmen, Millie Miller M.P. or John Gorst M.P., House of Commons, London SWI.

By Paul Routledge Labour Editor

Mr Prior, opposition spokesman on employment, expects a clear majority for the official Tory line on the closed shop in the debate at next week's Conservative Party conference. He is staking his political future on a policy of accommodation with the trade unions.

The "differences of emphasis" between him and Sir Keith Joseph, spokesman with responsibility for policy and research, will be fully ventilated next Tuesday and the outcome is expected to be endorsement of a motion from Newbam, North-West, constituency party calling for greater freedom for workers who do not want to join a

Mrs Thatcher, the party leader, has so far supported Mr Prior and his policy of re-building links with the unions after the rupture of 1974. If the Shadow Cabinet changes its line Mr Prior will resign. He argues that a policy of coopera-tion and respect for the unions representative power is the only feasible way of achieving and retaining office.

The closed shop issue is only the public aspect of a fundamental division between those in the party who support the Prior view and those who see in Sir Keith's attitude, particularly over the Grunwick strike, a more accurate reflectio not the traditional Tory view of organized labour.

Mr Prior will attack Mrs and Mr Prior, with the aim of Williams, Secretary of State for reducing the policy conflict Education and Science, for between the two men.

### Conservative agent cleared over poll

Peter Bladon, aged 50, a fulltime Conservative agent, who was accused of bribery or inducing people to vote Tory in the Ashfield by-election, has been cleared by the Director of Public Prosecutions.

The police conducted an investigation after complaints about Mr Bladon, of Hawton, near Newark Nottinghamshire A police file was sent to the DPP who has ruled that no criminal offences were com-

Gas "log fires" are so in-officient that they should be banned, under the Trade

banned, under the Trade Descriptions Act, from being

described as fires or heaters, the October issue of Which?

which publishes the magazine, says such fires are expensive,

memcient, in some cases illegally installed and are likely

to be dangerous. Two heaters tested by the magazine gave less than a third of the heat

for the same money as no

average gas convector heater.

shops, by mail order and by door-to-door salesmen. Often they are supplied in kit form, although Which? points out that it is illeged to install gas similaries without the necessions.

empliances without the neces-

sary knowledge and experience. Gas boards refuse to fit them. The report says that without

adequate ventilation the appli-vices could give off poisonous arbon-monoxide fumes. Two

appliances tested at random

and turned fully on, sent flames shooting up the chironey, but

appliances are sold in

he Consumers' Association,

By Robin Young Consumer Affairs

Cocrespondent

magazine states.

inefficient, in

wick, but he will make clear that a future Conservative government will seek to reach a voluntary agreement with the TUC on a code of practice governing freedom and the closed shop. Legislation com-pelling unions to permit conscientious objectors to opt out of member is seen as a last

Mr Prior has had private indications from union leaders that his proposed code of practice might be acceptable to the TUC if it was clearly not a return to the statutory right not to belong. That provision was written into the ill-fated 1971 Industrial Relations

view of trade union power are already committed Tory voters, it is argued, and the party's policy on industrial relations ought to be aimed at the floating working class voter who is probably a trade unionist and wants to see the Conservative Party attracting the public cooperation of the TUC.

The Newham motion calls the Newman motion caus for the law to be changed so that more consideration is given to workers caught up in a new closed shop agreement in which they wish to have no part. It leaves the party leadership room for manoeuvre.

Behind the scenes, an attempt is being made to draft a joint statement on employment, bear-ing the imprimatur of Sir Keith

### Falcon thieves fined £225 for stealing chicks

Two men who were said to have stolen three valuable peregrine faccon chicks from their nest, were each fined £225 by magistrates at Rhayader, Powys, yesterday.

Christopher Dienn, aged 24, a panel bearer of Little Queen's Road, Teddington, Middlesex, and Paul Howes, aged 26, a window cleaner, of Glenridge Farm, Virginia Water, Surrey, pleaded guilty to three charges of disturbing, taking and being in possession of wild birds.

produced only 11 kilowatts of heat. The running cost of one of the fires tested was 14p an hour, which the magazine calls

Which? reports after a survey of 20,000 members of the Con-

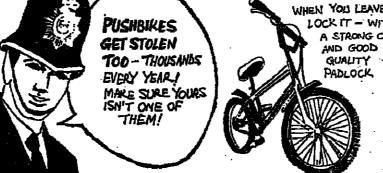
sumers' Association. The details

with the electrical systems. A

third complained of defects such as rattles, squeaks and leaks in the bodywork. There were complaints of fuel and ignition faults in 28 per cent of

Gas log fires condemned for 'staggering' costs

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NO DSE IF YOU LEAVE



Them every time. You go out! Crime-prevention guidance to bicycle owners and householders which will be distributed throughout London during the Scotland Yard campaign.

### Commissioner calls on public for help to beat crime land Yard yesterday show that

By a Staff Reporter Mr David McNee, Commissioner of the Metropolitan Police yesterday at Scotland Yard launched a £80,000 crime "The crime rate is getting worse. All the signs indicate that this year will turn out to be 'jackpot year' for the

Serious crimes committed in Serious crimes commuted in London in the first eight months of this year are 9 per cent up on the same period last year. Mr McNee told reporters: "It is likely that in London, while you sit bere this morning, 17 cars will be stolen or have property stolen from them, 13 buildings will be burgled, and at least 16 other thefts will take place. That on average is how many autocrimes, burglaries and theirs happen every hour in

"By now it should be no secret that it is my wish not merely to stem the flow of crime in London, but to reduce it. He wanted to see the streets
of London safer for everyone.

Mr McNee added: "I envisage doing it by getting more
policemen and women on their
feet on the streets of the Metro-

The other cost almost 10p and hour for 1! KW of heat. An electric fire would cost just over 4p for the same heat and an ordinary gas fire much less.

The other cost almost 10p and the process of fire's we tested were an extended by the magazine but most gave or heat output. In tests, the money, the report concludes.

Motorists are paying between using costs from petrol and in-£8 and £25 a week to keep their surance charges, assuming an The Citroen Dyane is found cars on the road, Motoring annual milage of 12,000, car tax to be an impressive load-carrier.

were published yesterday in the tion which adds from £6 a week sive Renault 4, costing £8.50

to £54.50 a week in the case of

The survey showed that a Jaguar XJ5.3. The Jaguar comfortable small work horse, almost half those with cars was the most expensive to run and the Leyland Mini (from £9 registered in 1976 had trouble of the cars in the report.

a week running costs) is "a

The lowest running costs of

£8 a week are quoted for the

The magazine calculates run-

magazine's annual car-buying for a Datsun Cherry or Fiat 126,

Running a car 'costs £8 to £25 a week'

The commissioner communed:

"I am now inviting London."

Everyone could take positive steps to defeat the criminal.

Strike by the streets of "From Saxon times onwards, every citizen has been expected to play his and her part. We are doing our bit—police pro
Strike by the streets of "I am now inviting Londoners to play their part to the full; Beat Crime '78 in partnership with the Metropolitan Police."

Figures published cal demonstrations, industrial disputes, football matches, all

The spectre of a police strike over pay was raised yesterday by Mr Ekdon Griffiths, Conservative MP for Bury St Edmunds and consultant to the

Government made an exception in pay policy for Ford car workers, whose previous claims

had helped to stoke up infla-

"All in al, the gas 'log

week to run, is described as

"good value for money as a

sensible buy as a day-to-day run-

Neither appliance tested com- efficiency proved to be around

plied with the Government's 10 per cent. Most of the fires fireguard regulations, and none cost between £75 and £85, al-

and servicing and repair charges for its size and comparatively

reported by the members. Its comfortable and roomy, al

figures do not include deprecia- though slow. The more expen-

but of the Fiat Motoring compares with the average which? says, "worth considering only if you'll sacrifice all faults shows that Japanese cars do well for reliability, particular in the small car market.

of those on sale carries the though one was £107. British Gas seal of approval. "All in al. the

Police Federation. The consequences for Britain would be catastrophic, he told a Conservative Women's one-day conference in Colchester.

Mr Griffiths said that if the supporter supporter in the consequence of the catastrophic in the consequence of the catastrophic in the consequence of the catastrophic in the catastrophic in the catastrophic in the catastrophic in the consequence of the catastrophic in the consequence of the catastrophic in the consequence of the catastrophic in the catastrophic in the consequence of the catastrophic in the

tion, it must also make an ex-ception for the police. The public." needs of the police were far secondly, more pressing and their ser-inexorable

By Our Political Staff

wices to the nation more im-portant, "It would be tragic if the police once again were brushed aside because they are

legally prevented from exercis-ing the trade union pressures available to the car workers."

The Home Secretary had acknowledged the police as a special case and the public supported that. But unless those

sentiments were rapidly trans-lated into a substantial and

overdue pay settlement there would be a police strike. "This would be a catastrophe for the public."

home wash

for vehicles

environmental side effects. "Every time a car is washed in

a drive or garden or on a road,

all the effluent goes straight

into our streams and rivers and

is a major source of pollution," Mr Andrew Railton, president

Mr Railton owns 112 auto-matic car wash centres between

Dover and Aberdeen. Other founder members include Blue

Star Garages and Heron
"We do not disguise our
vested interest," Mr Railton
said. "But if we can improve

By a Staff Reporter The British Car

Secondly, there would be an

creasingly difficult in a force The purpose of the campaign ductivity has increased year by which is more than 4,000 under was to highlight the simple, but year, 72,809 arrests in the first strength and faces the constant demands of public order, politic could take. Much crime was despite a serious loss in mancommitted on the spur of the moment because the opportunity presented itself.

The commissioner continued:

"I am now inviting Londoners to play their part to the

OTHER ACCESSORIES

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CAN BE REMOVED

a burglary is committed in London every 10 minutes Pickpocketing offences have increased fourfold in the pas five years. Twenty-seven per cent of all those arrested for all types of crime were juveniles aged between 10 and 16 and nearly a third of all crime involved either theft

ANY WINDOW IS ESPECIALLY

Strike by the police would be catastrophic, MP says also tend to become the instru movement towards para-military policing as men left the force and the shortage of police made it necessary to substitute riot gear weapons for the traditional civilian methods of upholding public order. ments of the government.

Where the police have the right to strike, as in many western countries, the para-

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police strikers", he commented.
"I can think of no better way of splitting the police service from top to bottom." The mood of younger con-

military security police may also be moved in to police the

or upnowing public order.

"I see grave dangers in this",
Mr Griffiths. told the conference. "The greatest strength
of the British bobby is the fact
that he is rooted in the community. But once the policeman
puts on the Dalek-like apparatus
of the rior squad he is in stables was one of despair and near revelt. Only the strong of the riot squad he is in danger of being separated physically and psychologically from the community on which sense of duty of their leaders held them back from taking rom the community on which industrial action. The police depends." must be given a generous pay Paramilitary police forces settlement, he said.

Mr John McKee, a director

of the company, which started business at the site more than 25 years ago, said: "We cannot

# Move to end | Inquiry told of explosion risk to footpath users

Chesterfield
People using a Derbyshire
countryside footpath between
Alfreton and South Norman Arreton and South Norman afford to allow people to use the path, not only for their up; a public inquiry in Manssield was told yesterday.

The path runs through land owned by Explosive and Chemical Description of the path Association, which was formed yesterday, to seek to stop car washing at home because of owned by Explosive and Chemical Products, which has built an explosives factory. At the inquiry the company asked Bolsover District Council

From Our Correspondent

The dispute over the path began in 1974 when the company, which believed the path was disused found someone walking along it. A few weeks public. Their application was challenged by members of the public and the Peak and Northern Footpaths Society. footpaths society was stopped by security men
The findings are to

## Player says **Packer** contract is a bond

By John Hennessy

Sports Editor Two England Test cricketers, Alan Knon and Derek Under-wood, gave details in the High-Court yesterday of the manner in which they had become en-gaged to play in the forth-coming Packer series in

Australia. At the suggestion of Tony Greig, who captained England on the previous winter's tour, they had gone to the Charchill Hotel, London, on Easter Mon-day, to discuss plans put for-ward on behalf of Mr Kerry Packer; they had then gone to the Dorchester hotel to meet Mr Packer, one by one; they had signed agreements the same

Mr Knott said, however, that in his case the contract was a "bond", as the agreement had not been finalized. His account. ant had set in train an arrange ment formulated in Jersey, chereby he became contracted to Arolac, an Isle of Man com-pany employing entertainess who, for their part, had signed a contract for his services with Mr Packer's organization. The

Mr Knott was giving evidence on behalf of the plaintiffs, Mr. Packer and three of his players Packer and three of his players in the actions brought against the International Cricket Conference (ICC) and the Test and County Cricket Board (TCCB). They are seeking to remove a ban on the players from taking part in Test and county cricket. Mr Knott was asked by Mr. Patrick Milmo, for the defend ants, if the new scheme had

Patrick Milmo, for the defendants, if the new scheme had gone through. He said that it had not His accountant was working on another idea with anothe reompany. He still felt morally bound to play in the morally bound to play in the packer series. He agreed in hat he was not legally bound. Mr Andrew Morritt, for the plaintiffs, questioned Mr Knott about the circumstances where by he had repaid £88 he had received in unemployment benefit in the winter of 1971. A reporter and a photo

A reporter and a photo grapher from the Sunday Mit a suppose I was a bit young and a suppose I was supposed that he had suppose I was supposed that he had supposed an advance payment a received an advance payment a suppose I was writing at the time.

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### Tory drive to keep Scotland in Union A leaslet to be circulated in to the larger United King appear from the

From Ronald Faux

both the environment and the standard of automatic car washes through having the wash-With a spur from Mr Francis Pym, chief opposition spokesing of cars in streets or gardens made illegal, it will be of general public benefit." man on devolution, who ended a visit to Scotland yesterday, the effluent water from auto-matic car washes was directed the Scottish Conervative Party launched a campaign underlin-ing the benefits of the Union.

Mr Andrew McIntosh (Lab, Tottenham), for the opposition, accused the Conservatives of gimmickry: "It is typical of the bluster and evasion of responsibility which has characterized this administration."

The proposal, if serious, was an insult to London a trivializa-

an insult to London, a trivializa-

tion of a vital matter by spend-ing £50,000 to tackle years of neglect in the inner city areas,

his English counterpart-

says every Scot receives far dom resources when necessary more back for his taxes than Mr Pym gave warning in his English counterpart.

The leaflet lists the wide range of coursols stready held in Scotland through the Scotlish Office with the great adelected council to monitor and in Scotland through the Scot. Bill, and again proposed an tish Office with the great adelected council to monitor and vantage that Scotland can plug question. Scottish government

### Greater London Council

through elaborate filters

Mr Railton maintained that

# Prostitutes entertained in prison cells, letter says 4n official investigation is coming made into an allegation land (Mr Bruce Millan), that prostitutes had intercourse "I also sent him a signed

Glasgow poverty shocks

Duke's study group

in prison cells with some of Britain's criminals. most dangerous

The allegation was made to Mr Edward Taylor, chief Con-servative spokesman on Scottish affairs, in an anonymous letter from Barlinnie prison, Glasgow. A copy was also smuggled out and delivered by post at the Glasgow office of the Press Association.

Mr Taylor said yesterday:
"The letter which I received contained allegations which were really so shocking and alarming that I took the only action I could, to send it to

Grunwick writs

By Robert Parker The Grunwick film process-

ing company has issued writs alleging defamation against Mrs

Williams, Secretary of State for

Education and Science and Mr Howell, Minister for Sport and

Water Resources, yesterday over remarks they are alleged to have

made about the company while

on the picket line outside the factory on May 19 last.

libel writs against the Evening Standard. London, and Mr Simon Jenkins its editor, for reporting what was said by Mrs

Williams and Mr Howell about

The company has also issued

a writ for libel against the

Daily Mirror about an article which appeared on November

19 about the company and con-

Norwich city council is to

introduce a municipal lottery, expected to bring in £80,000 a

year, to pay for projects which

would not otherwise be carried

conditions in the factory.

ditions of its employees.

City to have lottery

The company has also issued

two ministers

against

"I also sent him a signed letter from a prisoner at Peter-head, who told me he had been a prisoner in the special unit at Barlinnie and he was making similar allegations."

Among the allegations about the special unit are that former prisoners and prostitutes made visits lasting three or four hours at a time; prisoners were allowed to meet visitors, with out supervision, in their cells and were able to have inter-course with wives, girl friends.

conference said in a report pub-

isshed yesterday that their ex-periences during a visit to the east end of Glasgow had left them shocked, saddened and

The group, who told the Duke of Edinburgh a fortnight ago that they were horrified by what they had seen, added:

" We were shocked by the vast-

ness of the problem, we were saddened by the effect it has

on the children, and we were disgusted by the fact that citizens of the United Kingdom

are forecd to live under such

"During our visit we saw me

physical destruction of a com-

munity, a community which has been reduced from 150,000 in 1961 to around 50.000 today."

Left behind in the east end of the city were the old, the infirm, the unemployed, the problem people, alcoholics, the

vandals and the criminal element, and a large expanse of

derelict land, in places like a

appalling circumstances.

shopping to Glasgow; and former prisoners visiting the unit took prostitutes with them for the prisoners' use. They also took drink, drugs and tobacco to leave in the unit.

leased from a life sentence cele-brated by calling on the unit laden with gin and whisky, sit-ting in one of the cells handing

who this letter has been taken into account, and the allegations are being investi-gated."

Mr Taylor described the alloout cigars. The letter alleges that one of

or prostitutes; murderers and the inmates of the special unit is obviously a need for an other prisoners were allowed had intercourse with his wife in urgent and complete review of to visit their homes and go his cell, and that those visits conditions at the special unit."

Unemployment was generally around 30 per cent and in some

streets 50 per cent or 60 per cent. In some cases, two and

three generations of males in a The group suggested that the east end should be declared suitable for national funds.

Television programmes on the east end intended to be broadcast actionwide before the

end of the year had presented

BBC executives with an unex-pected difficulty. Staff had found that the speech of people from that part of Glasgow was incomprehensible to outsiders.

A suggestion that subtitles

should be used has been rejected, and other methods of

making the programmes intel-

Aid for housing: The Government is to give £6.5m to provide

more sheltered housing for old

The money is to be provided

by the Housing Corporation this year for the Bield Housing

Association, which in six years has built 500 flats, with a further 1,000 being built or designed.

ligible are being sought.

people in Scotland,

ment said yesterday: "Inquiries into the running of the unit are tobacco to leave in the unit.

The 900-word letter contains are alleged to have visited the special unit. It describes one visit, during which a man released from a life sentence celetaken into account, and the heated by calling on the unit are under way. These inquiries were under way. These inquiries were initiated by the Secretary of State on August 5, with reference to a book by the prisoner, James Boyle. Obviously this letter has been leased from a life sentence celetaken into account, and the leave of the unit are under way. These inquiries were under way. The way was a supplied with the way way was a supplied way. The way was a supplied way wa

> Mr Taylor described the allegations as astonishing and scan-dalous. "If they are true, there is obviously a need for an

### £50,000 inner-city study contract angers opposition The Scottish Prisons Depart By Christopher Warman Local Government Correspondent The first meeting of the council after the summer recess saw the Conservative

administration face tough criticism from the Labour opposition over the appoint-ment of a firm of consultants to undertake a year-long project in the inner-city areas at a cost

of £50,000. The opposition called for the resignation of Miss Shelagh Roberts, leader of the planning Roberts, leader of the planning and communications policy committee, who was responsible for appointing Benson Wilcox the matter had been handled. Associates Ltd. Their brief is There had been no suggestion to act as a catalyst in stimulating private investment to create the project should go to tender, no costing to give incentive to efficiency, and no refer-Attack on WPC

# ignored by passers-by

Det inspector John Farley, of Chadwell Heath, Essex, yesterday criticized people who walked past an off-duty policewoman who was being savagely kicked and slashed in the face and body. Passers-by, including motorists travelling home from London did not interfere from London, did not interfere.

Woman Police Constable
Hazel Knight, aged 27, is in
hospital suffering from shock
after the attack in Chadwell
Heath Lane on Tuesday night. Her face is criss-crossed with cuts from a sharp instrument. Miss Knight, stationed at Ilford, who is leaving the force on Sunday, was hit on the head and kicked as she curled up on the ground to protect her face from her four attackers. Mr Faley said: "Her assailants, two of whom were women, knew she was a policewoman. They called her name
"Pedestrians and motorists turned a blind eye. No one

even took the registration number of the attacker's car.

In these days I am not sur-prised. People do not want to know and that makes the police

iob more difficult."

# £55m plan to end Tube travel frauds questioned

By Our Transport

Correspondent Loudon Transport's plan to spend £55m to save £6,5m a year is guestioned in a report to the Greater London Council's transport committee.

The proposal is to install automatic barriers throughout the Underground during the next six years and thus eliminate fraudulent travel, at present estimated to cost f6m a year. There would also be manpower savings of about £500,000 a year.
Mr Harold Mote, chairman of

the transport committee, said on Tuesday it was "an importent step in the right direction", but it would make sense only if it gave value for passengers.

The system proposed would be similar to that on the Victoria line, where passengers buy a ticket from a machine and use it to pass through automatic harriers to the trains. The new system would provide automatic exit as well as entrance. and would process season as well as ordinary tickets. A central computer to which all barriers would be linked would give extra surveillance and monitor the day's business.

Before approving the project, which London Transport wishes to start next year, the GLC will demand assurances that the promised manpower savings (involving fewer than 200 staff and yet to be negotiated with the unions) would be achieved.

### Conservatives had come up with a new idea. Answering the charge that the Conservatives were not taking firm action on dockland, Miss Roberts said that tenders had been invited for the first roadwork. "I can see no reason why our road and rail link proposals

should not be under way, and some completed, by 1980." of act as a catalyst in stimulating private investment to create jobs and an improved environment.

After a heated debate, the firm chosen. "At no stage in

Mr Horace Cutier, leader of the council (C, Harrow West), said that inner London boroughs were adopting a more realistic attitude and wanted

Conservatives, with their built-in majority, repulsed the attack by 59 votes to 23, and Mr Andrew McIntosh (Lab, Miss Roberts (C Upminster), would be happy for a Conservasaid that the Government's White Paper on the inner cities tive GLC to pay to get matters moving. "This project has one aim, to provide much-needed employment and to help regenerate the decay in the inner heroughs." had exhorted the use of all agencies in tackling difficulties. She accused Mr McIntosh of going into a rage because the

He said the Labour Party had hoped to launch a similar scheme when it was in power The idea was for a group of officers to go into the inter-borougs and take the initiative to arrest decay. "But it was considered by other authorities that the Labour Party were merely introducing iver another merely introducing just another bureaucratic element to bong up the works. The task force were told to get lost. We sto setting up in a few months something they failed to set up in four years."

## New homes left empty 'may cost £2,600 daily' By Our Local Government

Correspondent The district auditor has been

asked to investigate what the Labour opposition on the Greater London Council regards

homes empty means loss of rent and rates, but has given no estimate of the cost. Labour says that the loss of rent for 316 dwellings on specific developments amounts to £14,000 a month and believes that, taking other costs into con-

sideration, the council could be spending £2,600 a day 10 keep new homes empty.

. The Conservative policy of selling council houses came under further fire on Tuesday. Greater London Council regards under further life on Tuesday, as unacceptable waste of public from the borough of Islington, money by the Conservative which says that the GLC is administration in leaving council homes empty pending their new homes in that borough sale.

The request was made by hed been promused a new home whose spokesman on housing.

The Conservative administration acknowledges that keeping men of Islington housing chair the empty means loss of mittee told a press conference rent and rates, but has given Mr. George: Tremiett the Mr. George. Tremlets, the GLC's bousing policy leader, donied that the rouncil was pursing the houses up far sale, but admitted that the houses were under consideration for the setting up of cooperatives.

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The society opened two more special units in England last year, and together the seven units operate in areas containing 16 per cent of the child population. No figures are available from the 1976 experience to verify the encouraging trends disclosed by the society yester-day.

The new figures confirm that severe battering is much more likely to occur when children are very young, mainly under the age of one year, and that their families are likely to suf-fer a combination of financial difficulties, emotioned insta-bility, broken marriages, depri-vation in the parents' childhood, combined with difficult babies, particularly those who had a low birth weight.

Mr Raymond Castle, head of the society's: National Advisory Centre on the Battered Child, said yesterday that most of the is suffered extreme emotional disturbances which could be coped with only by prolonged treatment. Parents attending the units commonly needed at least two years to learn to over-come emotional difficulties and how to bring up difficult, cryHeadship of the Civil Service, 3: A malleable and frequently accident-prone office

# Not biscuits but a slice of cake when dispute became serious

By Peter Hennessy

"It would be beyond my present scope to discuss the composition and powers of the permanent Civil Service, whose chiefs have been at least since the days of Bagehot, recognized as the real rulers of this country. For absolute knowledge of their business, for self-denying devotion to duty, for ability, patience, courtesy, and readiness to help the fleeting political official; the permanent chiefs of the Civil Service are worthy of the inghest graise. That they are conservative (the word \*conservative\*) conservative (the word conserva-tive bere applies only to official routine) to the core is only to say that they are bundar. On being appointed to permanent office, the extremest theorists, like the beer in the favours enjaram, cease to in the famous epigram, 'cesse to hum' their revolutionary airs, and settle down into the profound conviction that things are well as they are."—G. W. E. Russell, Collections and Recollections.

George Russell, Liberal MP, confident of prime minimage.

repure, had a nicer way of pur-ting it in 1903 than more re-cent parliamentary critics like

ship of the Civil Service yes-terday, Russell has had plenty of followers in his conviction

that civil servants are the real

rulers of the country's destiny,

If ever there was a job to lend credence to that canard it

is the headship of the Civil Service. Since its foundation

In no fewer than three instances the tenants have come to grief, publicly abused as "overnighty subjects", their names attached 10 a particular policy in breach of

Treasury minute in 1919, it s had eight occupants.

Sir Warren Fisher: Reform with a will. confident of prime ministers and contemporary observer of

the impartiality that underpins their professional ethic. Few public offices, outside politics itself, have been so malleable An author much appreciated by Sir Patrick Nairne, discussed as a "possible" for the heador volnerable.

The man who set the mould was Sir Warren Fisher. Appointed at the age of 39 in 1919, he set about the reform of the Civil Service with a will in the aftermeth of the Haldane

Sir Warren initiated the practice of moving officials between departments, previously isolated in a bureaucratic archipelago, and made every permanent secretary personally responsible to Parliament as the accounting officer who must make an annual appearance before the Public Accounts

From the mid-1930s he be-

need to rearm. His obsession led him to be dubbed the leaving his reputation perma-nently scarred when he moved into an uneasy retirement in

His successor, Sir Horace Wilson, brought the office to the nadir of its fortunes. Neville Chamberlain's alter ego, he would sit next door to the Cabinet room, where the Prime Minister worked, protecting him, like a praetorian guard, from alternative policy advice on both domestic and foreign matters. Sir Horace was perpetually marked by the stigma of appeasement.

Sir Richard Hopkins, who replaced him in 1942, restored a placed film in 1942, restored a degree of propriety to the job, combining it with his economic work at the Treasury, where he was one of the few men who could match Keynes in argu-

He immortalized the genteel art of Whitehall persuasion when asked by the Public Accounts Committee how he handled a disagreement with a fellow permanent secretary. He would invite him to tea at the Treasury. Sir Richard replied. If the dispute was particularly serious, he would offer him "not biscuits but a slice of

Lord Bridges, who succeeded Sir Richard in 1945, brought distinction to every job he filled. For one year he held the posts of Cabinet Secretary, Permanent Secretary to the Treasury and Head of the Civil Service, each one of which is now held by a separate civil

he applied an unusual degree of lightheartedness to his work. eaving his reputation permanearly scarred when he moved
nto an measy retirement in shop for half an hour " while he edited the letters of his father, the Poet Laureate, Robert Bridges. He was the epitome of the old-style civil servant. since caricatured. usually unfairly, as the gifted

amateur. His successor, Lord Normanbrook, combined the headship with the Cabinet secretaryship between 1956 and 1962. A tall, anstere official, he was very much the eminence grise of the Macmillan congruence. Much the enumence grise of the Macmillan government. The Prime Minister relied on him absolutely, calling him "my tower of strength"

In characteristic fashion, Mr Macmillan described Lord Nor-Macmilian described Lord Nor-manbrook's genius to Lord Moran in the following terms: "Norman has the most wonder-ful judgment. He is always right. Pure, inborn judgment because, as I expect you know, he had no background." Since 1962 the headship has been separate from either been separate from either economic management or the Cabinet secretaryship. The reputation of Lord Helsby, who held it until 1968, has been somewhat overshadowed by that of his successor, Lord Arm-strong of Sanderstead, whose leadership of the Treasury in Helsby's time, and his axis with Lord Trend at the Cabinet Office, tended to overshadow all else in the Whitehall of the

Lord Armstrong arrived at the newly constituted Civil Service Department in 1968 in a



Sir Horace Wilson: Prime

stimulated by the Fulton report.

A man of enormous flair, he accomplished more than he is given credit for in those days departments in the way Sir Warren Fisher had done in his

early years. For anyone who has met him. it is easy to see why ministers sought his advice. Fascinating and allusive in conversation, he weaves ideas from thin air and proposes them in a soothing, persuasive voice, in stark con-trast to the blunt, cryptic Sir Douglas Allen, who replaced him at the department and relies much more on direct attack. It was his preeminence as a policy a his downfall. adviser that led to

In 1972 Mr Heath took Lord

Armstrong away from Civil Service work to steer the attempt at forging a lasting incomes policy through a concert of powers embracing government, rrade unions and employers. The subsequent collapse of that policy in 1974 broke Lord Armstrong's health, happily. only temporarily. His worst fear,

that he should be seen as "another Horace Wilson," came He has yet to give his account of those days and eventually he

may be judged as a far more unwilling participant in the overmighty role that was placed Whatever the merits of the matter, Sir Harold Wilson would

have nothing to do with him In his wider role as economic overlord on Labour's return to office in 1974. Sir Douglas Allen has lived in that shadow ever since. Neither Sir Harold. nor Mr Callaghan have used him as a general adviser on policy, at which the direct Sir Douglas excelled in his Treasury days, for fear of being seen to "do another William Armstrong". Sir Douglas, one of the more

stoical souls in Whitehall, has never complained of his lot. but the headship, like many other things in public life, hus never recovered from the winter crisis of 1973-74. When Mr Callaghan finally makes up his mind in November, he will not just be picking a new man, he will be determined.

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Mr. Rodgers said that when be Government was going brough a difficult period it was printed to support from the lovement. Many supporters are generated that some among the arry had "treated the Governproperty more like an enemy of neil to mere Everyone on the platform

New composition and role

urged for Schools Council

parties, he said. They were social democrats and arrended

He said the campaign rejected those in the Labour Party "who share none of the values of democratic socialism who have no commitment to the parliamentary system and the ballot box and who are the enemies of democratic social-ism. They must not be allowed

Mr Rodgers saw the role of the campaign as being or the campaign as being or support loyalists and moderates and those who had sometimes "kept their heads down", those who had been builded and those who sometimes felt that they stood alone. He wanted them to know

they were part of the majority are what the Labour movement is all about. We are going to

Mr Rodgers said that all sec tions of the party should unite to resist those who wanted to viously referring to the argument over reselection of MPs to be continued at the private session of the party conference today, he said: "I believe that any orchestrated campaign to get rid of conscientious and respected members of Parliament on ideological grounds must be mer by resolute and

He commented : "Any at-tempt to unsear MPs on a narrow and dogmatic view of accountability should be re-

director of the Independent Schools Information Service. They argue that the reformed body should advise the Secre-tary of State for Education and Science on curriculum develop-

The minister should intervene

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The Schools Council should that the reformed so as to include

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 be issued with two-way locket radios in order to approve London's bus services. fore Home News, page 18

### Reform Lords to save it, Tories told

Reform of the House of Lords should be a priority of the next Tory government, the Conserva-tive Bow Group said in a report

yesterday.
It called for the sweeping away of hereditary peers and their replacement by a largely "No body which is non-elected, insufficiently represen-tative and largely hereditary can, today, properly and acceptably act as a second chamber of government, the report

Reform was inevitable and should be carried out by Con-servatives to avert total aboli-tion by Labour.

But the report added: The present Parliament has somedamly demonstrated the necessity for some sort of check on the powers of the Commons." The group wants to see three-quarters of the members elected by a regional list system through by a regional representation, and the rest selected by the Prime Minister of the day for life, or until the age of 70. Labour debate, page 6



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# Mr Foot invokes the spirit of Gaitskell in steering the party away from root and branch opposition to EEC

Demands for withdrawal from the EEC and even another referen-dum on the issue were easily swept aside at the Labour Party Conference in Brighton yesterday. All the conference decisions rejecting withdrawal were heavily carried on a show of hands, so much so that no calls for card votes were pressed. The only resolution carried at the beliest of the party executive's spokesman, Mr Michael Foot, Lord President f the Council, demanded funda-tental reform of the common

agricultural policy. Mr Foot affirmed that, as the Prime Minister had indicated in his letter last week to the Labour NEC, the need for big changes to the common agricultural policy was already on the agenda for talks in

Pointing out that even after 15 years of differences of opinion within the party about the EEC the movement had sustained its unity. Mr Foot considered it would be a great error if they were now to butcher themselves to make a beliefer for Mrs.

to make a holiday for Mrs Thatcher. He was sure they would nather. He was sure they would not do anything of the sort.

The resolution opposing the common agricultural policy was moved by Mr Owen O'Brien (general secretary, National Society of Operative Printers, Graphical and Media Personnel). It called on the Government "to oppose any artificial increase in food prices whether caused by devaluation of whether caused by devaluation of the 'green pound' or increases in CAP prices; to seek a fundamental reform of the CAP so as to remove taxes on food and permit cheaper food imports." A composite motion calling for

A composite motion calling for withdrawal if negotiations failed to make changes to the European Communities Act. 1972, was re-mitted to the NEC. whose state-ment on the Community, published need of the community, pursued or one weeks ago setting out various proposals for change, was adopted.

Mr O'Brien said that as much of the Community's food as possible should come from within the Community, and particularly from within the United Kingdom.

other dairy products, which have to be sold to Russia at give-away prices or preferably, but more expensively, subsidized for home consumption."

Mr Richard Balfe (political secresary, Royal Arsenal Co-operative Society), seconding, said: "The CAP should be scrapped and replaced by a socialist food policy." The system was an affront to the third world and to the many hungry people in the Community. It was based on the needs of farmers, not of consumers.

Mr Steven Cohen (Newcastle upon Tyne, North) said: "We have been good boys for far too long. We need to make changes in the Common Market."

Mr Ivor Lawrence (Cheadle) Mr Ivor Lawrence (Cheadle) unsuccessfully moved an amendment calling on the NEC to cooperate with Labour members of the European Parliament and members of other European socialist parties to formulate a socialist manifesto for direct elections to the European Parliament.

He said he was one of the Laws

He said he was one of the Jews who came to Britain as a refugee from pre war Polaud in the middle of the Munich crists. He began his work with the Labour movement because it was opposing Munich, because he believed it to be an interestical socialist move.

Munich, because he believed it to be an international socialist movement, not a nationalist socialist movement. If it was right to fight with international socialists on the battlefields of Spain, why was it not right to fight against what was wrong with the EEC?

Moving the composite motion (which was remitted to the NEC) calling for British withdrawal from the EEC if negotiations failed to change the European Communities Act, 1972, Miss Betty Wilson (Birmingham, Yardley) said that ministers should bring EEC proposals back to Westminster where they could be discussed properly and acted on, not just scrutinized.

The Commons should recover its Their objective must be to use the CAP as a managed market system to ensure planned production of food at reasonable prices.

"We must distinguish between the commons should recover its right to have the final say in affairs. Socialists had boasted that they had a government answerable to the people who put it there: the motion preserved the power of Parliament to govern.

Reports by Alan Wood, John Winder, Bernard Withers, Geoffrey Browning and Brian

rington motion opposing EEC membership and calling for a referendum next year, Mr Peter Ludbrook (Southall) said the country should pull out of the EEC and evolve an alternative socialist economic strategy. There should be another referendum next

Mr David Griffiths (Stafford and Stone) said it was capitalism that was in crisis, not the EEC. "We want a united Europe to harness the skills of Europe for the bene-fit of the working people."

Mr Reginald Bottini (National Union of Agricultural and Allied Workers) said his aution had always opposed entry into the EEC. The common agricultural policy must be tadically reformed.
"The conference will be inconsistent and short sighted if it supports minimum prices for coal imports and selective import conat the expense of low pay there and low pay here in this country." Mr Bryan Gould (MP, Southampton, Test) said the renegotiations of 1975 were a sham. Clear and

positive efforts were now required to pursue that exercise more seriously and more closely. The logic of Mr Callaghan's letter denied the logic of direct elections, which only made sense Mr John Kotz (Hackney, Central) said that at the time of the EEC referendum campaign the British people were sold the biggest fivecard trick in their history. Most trade union and individual mem-bers were opposed to entry. What the Labour Party lacked at the time of the big debate was leader-ship. It should now be party relieved to lead the counter out to accept the proposition the Prime Minister had put before the exe-cutive, and which he thought had

as a whole.

The constitutional position was that the British people, parliament and government always had the right of cession from the EEC if that was what they wished. "Mr Callaghan's proposals for discussion between the executive and the sion between the executive and the members of the Government can show the best way for us to pro-

ference the late Hugh Gaitskell expressed the deep anxieties of the Labour movement about the nature and constitution of the

the Labour movement would destroy itself because of the passion and vigour felt by those who took different views on the matter. It debate over 15 years that despite their deep differences they had still sustained the party's essen-

15 years ago which had not been resolved. Many of the paramount features of the EEC were not designed to suit the circumstances and conditions in Britain.

There were matters like a writ-

-4 What we should be setting about at this conference, and in the weeks and months chead, is

movement is much more responsive to the real mond of the people on this subject than any other party. We demand there strouble be a drastic reform of the CAP and that there shall be maintenance, and some would say reassertion, of the authority of national

The EEC would be extended if the applications from Greece, Portugal and Spain were accepted. Their comrades in those countries were easer to become members of the EEC. "Speaking as an international socialist, I do not see

international socialist, I do not see how I or this movement, as an international movement, could say we were going to sham the door in the face of our colleagues from those countries."

When Brimin was taken into the EEC it had been done in what many of them regarded as a deep mood of national defeation. "The Tories have no faith in our own institutions or in

ill our own institutions or in our own Parliament. That was why they were ready to see it clipped and robbed of some of its powers. They have no faith in our trade unions. That is why have sought to cripple them. They in our trade unions. That is why they sought to cripple them. They have no faith in our own system of local authorities. That is why they were content to mangle it.

"They have no faith in the British people themselves. They throught they would get us into Europe for the worst of reasons, that the British people could be whipped by the market economy, which is apparently the only faith they have. We do not accept any such doctrine.

"We believe a considerable start has been made, but none of us have any doubts that we are going out from this conference to win the backing and confidence, and eventually the votes of the British people as a whole.

"We have faith in them. We believe that through our represen-

"We have faith in them. We believe that through our representation of them we can restore the democratic vigour and idealism of our own country and, in doing so, contibute to international socialism throughout the world." (Applause.)





William Rodgers (centre) defending transport policy; and Mr Jack Jones castigating the House of Lords.

# Urgent call for a

wealth tax Fair taxation was long overdue and Labour should not be backward in demanding high taxation from the rich, Mr Michael McGregor (Edinburgh) said in successfully moving a composite motion calling on the Government to implement without delay its promise to introduce a wealth

His motion also called for the raising of the tax threshold to a level above that at which family income supplement and supplement period by the mentary benefit were poyable. Mr McGregor said the party must devise a tax system which could be seen as positively beneficial to the lower-paid worker. The motion demanded immediate government efforts to achieve a motion demanded immediate government efforts to achieve a more equitable distribution of wealth and asked the executive to consider the reform of the tar system and tax allowances.

The wealth tax must be insti-uted urgently, Mr McGregor said. I must stand as a symbol of init must state as a symbol of the tent to redistribute wealth, while being a fiscal measure in its own right. "If we believe in full comployment, how can we support

Mr Robert Holland (Coventry, West) said there were too many taxes on families, too many allowances for the wealthy and too allowances for the wealthy and too
many concessions to big business.
Mr Michael Martin (Belper)
moved a motion calling for the
total reform of the tax system.
The motion said the poverty trap
should be eliminated and real
investment should be improved
by shifting the basis of corporation tax from profits to sale: revenue. It was remitted to the

Another motion, unsuccessfully moved by Mrs Bridget McGeechan (kilmarnock), urged that rates should be subject to income-tax relief in the same way as mortgage interest payments, to alleviate increases imposed on council

Mr Anthony Roome (Hastings) said it was time Labour was seen as the party which brought the scroungers to book.
Mr Peter Medhorst (Thirsk and Malton) said that the party, especially the parliamentary party, had run away from the imposition of a wealth tax for too long.

Although Mr Rodgers, Secretary of State for Transport, stoutly defended the Government's White Paper on transport, the conference carried a composite resolution expressing deep disappointment with it, reaffirming the need for the transfer of freight from road to rail to be encouraged, and rejecting the White Paper's assertion that such a policy was not a sensible long-term aim.

Mr Rodgers said that if the needs of those without cars, the disabled, the deprived and the elderly were to be met, public passenger transport and the National Freight Corporation and the renturn of Freight Inners Lid and National Carriers Lid to the British Railways Board. Mr David Bowman (National Union of Railwaymen), who moved the motion, said that unless there was increased investment in the railways, the result in some areas would be such poor and inefficient services that people would not use them, and closures would be increased investment in the railways, the result in some areas would be such poor and inefficient services that people would not use them, and closures would be increased investment in the railways, the result in some areas would be such poor and inefficient services that people would not use them, and closures would be increased investment in the railways, the result in some areas would be such poor and inefficient services that people would not use them, and closures would be increased in transport industry. Mr Bould a national executive. The conference of recovery is completed, we shall be able to find some money for our transport policy, though there will be many competing claims." The White Paper was a step in the right direction.

Mr Rongers said that if the transport wanted an artensport wanted an artensp Gay Johnstone (National Union of Public Employees) said it was dis-graceful that the Government had failed to raise tax thresholds for the lower paid. The average local government manual worker earned £35 a week. If he had a wife and two children he would take home 542. In November, when benefits would be raised, he would receive 545.25 from the state for not working.

Mr John Cartwright (MP, Woolwich. East) for the executive, said that to make council rents sub-ject to tax relic? was not the best way of achieving equality between council tenants and home owners. If the tax system was used to help council tenants in that way, most help would go to those with higher incomes; poorer tenants would derive no benefits.

He said the resolution on elim-

inating the poverty trap and im-proving investment by shifting the basis of corporation tax from profits to sales revenue should be remitted to the executive, which would undertake an investi-The party was committed to the

earliest possible introduction of earliest possible introduction of an annual wealth tax. The Gov-ernment was committed to pub-lishing proposals for such a tax in the next session. But the chances of getting anything on the statute book in the present climate were limited. "We have to pro-duce our proposals and campaign the country at the next general in the country at the next general election ", he said, Labour sought a system of taxa-

tion that was both fair and seen to be fair by the taxpayer. On that understanding, Mr Cartwright urged acceptance of Mr Mc-

# Six million majority for abolition of the Lords

For the first time this week the party faithful really had something to get worked up about. The target was the House of Lords. The conference wanted it abolished and to make the position clear beyond doubt, presumably to the Government, the motion demanding abolition was carried on a card vote by 6,248,000 votes to 91,000, a majority of 6,157,000. The freuzied applause and cheering that greeted the speeches of Mr Jack Joues, general secretary of the Transport and General Workers' Union, and Mr Dennis Skioner, MP for Bolsover, paved the way to the vote.

But the highlight of the debate was an amusing and brilliantly delivered speech by Lord Shinwell, who will soon be celebrating his ninety-third birthday. The massive conference ball echoed to langhter when he confessed he want to the House of Lords.

laughter when he confessed he went to the House of Lords because he had nowhere else to go. His more serious point was to remind delegates that the main task was to win the next general election and to concentrate on things that mattered. A national executive committee

statement on the House of Lords was also carried overwhelmingly. The executive spokesman, Mr John Forrester, made clear that John Forester, made clear may the NEC's capacity to struggle for inclusion of the call for abolition of the Lords in the general election manifesto would be greatly influenced by the size of The voting figures supplied the answer. The motion carried stated: "This conference declares

stated: "This conference declares that the House of Lords is a negation of democracy and calls upon the Government, the parilamentary party and the NEC to take every possible step open to them to secure the total abolition of the House of Lords and the reform of Parliament into an efficient, single-chamber, legislating body without delay. Confer-

Transfer of freight from

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committee paper. Conference instructs the NEC to organize a great campaign throughout the movement on this issue."

Mr Jones, moving the modon, said he could not imagine men and women wanting to keep such an unnecessary and costly institution in being. It represented a danger to progress. Some of the biggest critics of overmanning in industry were to be found there.

When the Lahour Party first When the Labour Party first developed it was a challenge to pomp and circumstance. The conference could not reconcile the Lords with that basic linking of trade unionism and the Labour

movement.

Three-quarters of the members inherited their position by birth from ancestors who included cattle robbers, land thieves and the offspring of prostintes. Recent experience made abolition imperative. Last session most major pieces of legislation like the Aircraft and Shipbuilding Industries Bill, the Tied Cottages Bill and the Dock Work Regulation Bill were emasculated by the Lords.

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The vindictive and unrepresentative second chamber had always been hostile to Labour govern-ments. Measures for working ments. Measures for working class progress were treated in terms of schoolboy pranks and with specious irresponsibility by it was to work. Mr Richard Selden (Folkestone

e facilities paid for by the money saved on the second chamber would ensure that legislation did not need revision.

Mr Skinner said: "The House of Lords is the Tory long stop and when the lady in blue cannot stop Labour legislation getting through the House of Commons she gets her bower boys in ermine to do the job." (Loud applause).

ermine to do the job." (Loud applause).

Attendance in the Lords was appalling with only 252 on average turning up out of 1.100 members last year. Only 130 were staying to vote. The others were collecting their £16.50 at the door, nodding themselves through, calling at the bar for a drink and leaving before the first vote. Lady Liewelyn-Davies (Government

agreed.
However, her union (the TGWU) However, her union (the TGWU) the NEC and the conference must think the issue out before they let themselves in for something worse. It was not common sense to change the constitution before doing that. The House of Lords, particularly Labour peers, worked extremely hard to put through the socialist measures for which the party and the electors asked. There was laughter when she said that their job was to make retorted: "I am there. You are not. I see what goes on and that is what goes on. Bills need revising. If there is no second chamber, with all the pressures which are on the House of Combined to the NEC, with the pressures of the NEC, with the necessary of the NEC, with the NEC, with the necessary of the NEC, mons as at present constituted. Bills would go through imperfect and the courts and judiciary will interpret the law of the land." Lord Shiswell, amid laughter, recalled that in 1918 he spoke at a Labour conference in Brighton about unemployment, and they had

speaks of

a'betrayal'

By Peter Evans Home Affairs Correspondent

"I understood our policy was to avoid memployment. What a change in the situation. I went to the House of Lords and I will tell you why. Because I had nowhere clee to go." (Loud laughter.) "I never succumbed to temptation. No one has offered me £100,000. Still, I am open to offers. You never know what I might do. If we are order to be discontinued.

tavolved constitutional difficulties

"Pirst you have to win the next election. I do not worry much alout constitutional issues. They are too hifshuin for me. I want to concentrate on the abolition of the slows." There was an overwhelming majority for reducing the trumber of heredulary peers. They should but a reasonable balance into the House. That was the way, not to cut their throats but to go very near it.

Lords had been hell bent on frustrating the legislative intentions of the Government.

It was at the 1918 conference which Lord Shimwell had mentioned that they had first called for abolition of the House of Lords. "What we cannot mend we must determine to end."

# Immigrant leader | 'Universities must adjust entry standards to take account of social disadvantage?

Recent Conservative proposals to reopen and extend the direct grant school list were bitterly staticked by Mrs Williams, Secretary of State for Education and Science. She declared that the Tory plans meant going back to the 11-plus with a vengeance.

She pointed out that the Conservatives had stated that good comprehensive schools — "good" as they interpreted it—would be direct grant system. Not only would those plans "cream the kids" but they would cream the schools as well. It would be the end of all the Labour Party had been seeking in education and one of the most cynical interpretations of proventy choices. Home Affairs Correspondent
The silence of Mr Callaghan
on the subject of the National
Front was tantamount to collusion with its philosophy, Mr Tara
Mukherjee, president of the Confederation of Indian Organizations in the United Kingdom,
said yesterday.

He told a fringe meeting at
the Labour Party conference that
Mr Callaghan and the trade union
movement were to blame for a
loss of confidence among nonwhite people in the Labour
Government.

Mr Mutheries made it clear Mr Mukherjee made it clear that votes were at stake. He said that in the general election of October, 1974, there was a swing of non-white votes from Conservatives to Labour in 13 constituencies which helped the party to victory.

been seeking in education and one of the most cynical interpretations of parental choice.

The Tory heavenly twins—Mr Norman St John-Stevas and Mr Rhodes Boyson—and their attendant angels in county and town halls were turning the clock back as fast as they knew how.

The conference took Mrs Williams's advice and accepted two motions on further and preschool education.

Mr David Robinson (Socialist Educational Association) moved encies which helped the party to victory.

Higher unemployment and worsening housing conditions among non-white citizens were had enough, he said. But more disturbing was the worsening of race relations under Mr Callaghan's leadership.

Mr Mukherjee criticized Mr Callaghan's leadership.

Mr Mukherjee criticized Mr Callaghan's attitude on immigration and his lack of support for non-whites. "It is significant that the Prime Minister did not make any statement either after the Lewisham incident or during the ladywood by-election on the activities of the National Front party."

Trade unions as employers were

Mr David Robinson (Socialist Educational Association) moved the first motion, calling for complete overhaul of the education system for people over 16 years of age, with special funds and an urgent programme under one government department for their educating, training and retraining. Local authorities should plan for the maximum use of schools at notional rates for use by adults. Colleges, universities and local authorities should be required to discriminate positively in favour discriminate positively in favour of the disadvantaged by extending their standards for admission by taking account of social and educational disadvantage applicants might have suffered, and by giving more "second chance"

ing more "second chance" opportunities.

Mr Robinson said the effect of abolishing the 11-plus examination had been to move the rat race of

had been to move the rat race of selection from the primary school at 16-plus. They were no longer asking for equality of opportunity. "We wish to remove all forms of privilege in education from the cradle to the grave."

Maggie Collins (Harrow, East) moved the second resolution, orging legislation to make it statutory for local education authorities to provide nursery education in accordance with local needs. She said that nursery education should be in the forefront of Labour's programme. The teachers were there and buildings teachers were there and buildings were becoming available. Such an apportunity should not be lost.

Mrs Diana Page (prospective candidate, Woolwich, West) said the values of good pre-school education had been proved again and again, but they would never he able to rely on the Tories to provide it. Therefore it had to be a statutory obligation. a statutory obligation.

Alies Pat Knight (Association of Scientific, Technical and Managerial Staffs) said that some careers officers were still paying regard to the wishes of employers rather than workers, and channelling girls towards such occupations as typing.

Mr Geraid Fowler (MP, The Wrekin) said they were moving into an economy where the vast majority would have to take some form of education or retraining during their working life. There

during their working life. There would also be more leisure and it was imperative to provide facilities to educate people to enjoy The film which he had used when

a minister to start the Adult Literacy Centre would otherwise have gone to universities. "I regard the needs of the adult illiterate as taking priority over the needs of some other sections of society. There is no greater dis-advantage than to be illiterate in modern society."

Mrs Williams, replying to the de-bate on behalf of the NEC, said that both motions complemented Labour's central education policy to provide equal opportunities It was an achievement for Labour that white, in 1965, 8.3 Labour that while, in 1965, 8.3 per cent of children were going to comprehensive schools, the figure now was 79.9 per cent. Since the passage of the Education Act, 1976, her department had written to 34 local education authorities that had failed to start on comprehensive reorganization or had left some of their schools out of the process. At schools out of the process. Al-most all those authorities had now submitted plans or would shortly

at with a sceptical eye because in the next year or two it was ex-pected to have a substantial addi-tional building programme which

could be made available for those authorities anxious to go compre-hensive but which found obstacles

authorness anxious to go comprehensive but which found obstacles in the way,

"Central to our objectives to education is that we will provide the best possible education we can for all our children in whatever schools they may be."

In 1974 a national survey showed that 26 per cent of children under five had working mothers and that 6 per cent had mothers who worked full time. There had been an encouraging growth in the number of children attending mursery schools. The present nursery building programme was worth £3,500,000.

The number of boys and girls gramme was worth £3,500,000.

The number of boys and girls in full-time education bad gone up from 183,000 in 1973-76 to 218,000 this year. Although 29 percent of those aged 16 to 18 were in full-time education she was not satisfied, because it was still, on the whole, the more advantaged, motivated and enthusiastic young people who got a real chance in further education.

Mrs Williams said the Conservation

Mrs Williams said the Conse Mrs Williams said the Conservatives had proposed to reintro-duce selection into schools in order to fill, from primary schools; a quarter of the place in a re-opened list of direct grant schools; the great majority of those pupils would be subsidized on the basis of means-tested fee paying. "We would be spending a sub-stantial amount of taxpayers' money on subsidizing these fami-lies who are already among the most privileged groups."

most privileged groups."

Such a "creaming" of pupils and schools "will be the end of all we have been seeking in education. It is one of the most cynical interpretations of parental choice one could have—choice for the few, and what is left over for the many".

the many."

First rate school governors and others who had given ourstanding service were being bounced off school management committees from Kent to Humberside in the interests of Tory activists, whose main qualifications appeared to be either as ability to lick envelopes or grace polling stillons.

That was aby Johns and or grace polling stallons.

That was why Labour would move towards reform of the system of school management and school governors so that they could genuinely involve a wider community while also recognizing the special contribution that only the profession could make.

Airs Thatcher's educational spokesmen, she said, were turning the clock back not just to 1944 but even to carlier decades.

Conference notebook by Fred Emery Manny and histe Hardie steal the show

many and reflectant government hasten leftwards—if not now, the as soon as it had a majority and It was all fairly straightforward lackdustre. Not even Mr. Asch. Foot, his rhandfoal volume-with grating harshly off an don, sendisjointed from sound, colbring much life to the NEC's his persuative call for recalcing bring much life to the NECS to permissive call for recalcing Europeanism to thru themesty into diluting reformers. By raunted party of intermedial socialism even mainted to reight bring a brive call to work with off European socialist parties to diminate a common manifestric in the European elections. mblate a common maintee the European elections. Yet brief transfiguration red after lunch as the conf

red after lunch as the conferent moved excitedly to vote a sholishing the House of Lords at a instituting a one-chamber parliment. By popular demand, a chair agreed to recognize Logistiawell And old Manny in and Reis Hardle, with whom course he had worken the course he had worken and the latter-day Hevanite. The presents cromwell, Mr. Jack lone and the latter-day Hevanite in recalled the Lords "bower hy in ermine" Mr. Jones, semmonic up some great crossale to light it flams of reform, wanted delegation to relieve the Lords "and deity in them from semptation" Logistics and his Glasveglan vis.

in ermine " Mr Jones, sammons up some great crusade to High it call from of reform, wanted delegation to relieve the Lords." and delta it reforms from temptation " log it is them from temptation" log it is faded but still marvellously clear thinking, had great fun with large and such deliverers.

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### TUC chairman demands **VAT** reduction

By Our Labour Editor.

Mr. David Basnett, chairman of the TUC, politicly mon' issue with the Chancellor of the Exchequer yesterday on the likely maped of a reduction in value-added att.

"The Chancellor can use the regulator to alter VAT rates tomorrow. To change income tax allowances to penelly the low paid requires a major hungerary change and is milkely in be feasible before next apply in be feasible before next apply in the said. feasible before next April he middle of the conditions showed that reduced VAT would directly reduce prices benefit the flawer paid, rather than the higher in one groups, assist the average family and admittant confloyment more tapidly than a circ in income.

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# Mr Healey looks to a fall in unemployment next year people, he added that it might be was every chance that the effect State for Education and Science, people, he added that it might be necessary to consider worksharing to create more jobs. That would mean reducing the working week, les overtime, and earlier retirement. He agreed that it was difficult to determine the impact of the 1900m spent on special measures was a danger in stimulating youth employment because other workers might be displaced. There

From Our Labour Staff
A caudous message of hope for
the unempuloyed was given yesterday by Mr Healey, the Chancellor,
'If we can give some stimulus to
the economy later this year, and
again next spring, we should be
able to see a fall in unemployment developing next year", ho
exid. soud.

Speaking at a public meeting organized by Youthaid, a pressure group for unemployed young

uve. The resolution demanded in-creased investment in British Rall and the National Freight Corpora-tion and the return of Freight-liners Ltd and National Carriers Ltd to the British Rallways Board. Mr David Bowman (National Union of Railwaymen), who moved the motion, said that unless there was increased investment in the rail-ways, the result in some areas would be such poor and inefficient services that people would not use them, and closures would be inevitable. Mr Ronald Atkins (Preston, North)

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said the railways suffered from under-use; to run rail freight to capacity would overcome British Rail's financial difficulties.

A motion from Mid-Sussex asking the Government to recamine its transport policy, and stating that inadequate support

stating that inadequate support was provided for public transport, was also passed. Transport must be recognized as a public service, and substantial railway subsidies maintained to prevent fares rising faster than general inflation, it raid.

Mr Ray Buckton (general secretary, Associated Society of Loco-motive Engineers and Firemen), said the conference must avoid

East), for the the national executive, said he recognized that there was concern and disappointment about the contents of the White Paper, but at least it was better than the consultative document that recognized

that preceded it.

The future of Britain's rail network was so longer in doubt.

There was a clear commitment to

maintain a national railway.
The case for continuing to underpin public transport with large operating and revenue support subsidies could not be dispensed.

puted. Freightliners must be returned to British Rail, but for local distribution and door-to-door

operations, there was no practi-cable alternative to road trans-

Trade unions as employers were the bastion of lace curtain dis-crimination. Mr Mukherjee claimed. Their hypocritical atti-

tude towards the non-white mem-bers of the movement was a betrayal of the philosophy it preached of the brotherhood of

man. He pointed to modest improve-

ments in immigration policy between 1974 and 1976, but said

that new measures were neede to arrest the decline in non-whit

support for Labour.

Challenge to

witch-hunt'

left-wing intellectuals, includ-ing Herr Grass, have been accused of creating a climate of left-wing opinion which sup-posedly bred terrorism. Several

publications have directly or indirectly branded them as

sympathizers or accomplices of

Herr Böll told The Times yesterday that he felt the cam-paign was the immediate cause

of a police search in the home of his son, Rene, an artist, last

week and the cancellation of an invitation to Frau Luise Rinser, a writer, to read from her own works.

"It is a scandal", Herr Grass said in the daily news-paper Frankfurter Rundschau today, "that a man like Hein-rich Böll, a Nobel Prize win-

ner, does not receive the pro-tection of the federal President "I am shocked that in Bonn

there are no longer politicians who ... recognize that tolerable

The President's staff said that Herr Scheel had been planning for some time to make a statement on basic

have long since been

connected with ter-

(A comforting thought in itself.)

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**President** 

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From Patricia Clough

Bonn, Oct 5

# Fred Emery WEST EUROPE Janny Sugar talks inally get lardie weet taste le show if success

rom Ailan McGregor neneva, Oct 5

In last-minute bargaining te 72-pation internations Sign conference today receivent designed to ensure cube and Australia, two of the main producers, finally repried a compromise propo-Brazil whereby the Dominican Townshind, and perper Panama, will not have to more than 15 per cent in supply supply

acceds free market demand. Addressing the conference esterday, Mr Douglas attents, the Australian Animotey, the Australian Augusty, the Australian Augusty, the Australian Deputy Prime Minister, estimated that the average cut equired for this purpose would be 23 per cont, which, which, would be runnous to Australian sugar farmers who would be compelled in destroy up to one third of the present crop.

Today, Mr Anthony described the agreement as a break-through for the proposed intestreet programme of commod-by desciopment. He thought the ment agreement shough Unctad would be wheat, early next year.

He believed his remarks yes-terday had put the facts before a conference "which probably had got tied down in the tech-nicalities". By drawing atten-tion of the prospect of the world price, now a dow at cours a: ib, going down to 5 cours or even below, be had played a part in bringing the conference to a conclusion.

The five-year agreement, dictioning into force on January it, is expected to bring a minimum arms. The minimize increase. The price range is 11 to 21 cents; the minimum being about 40 per cent above the present of market level. Exporting countries with

ntarge home markets or arrangements for sales outside the free market—such as communist countries—have accepted the principle of cuts of more than the principle cuts of the principle ries cannot cover their free-market export quotas.

now the Basic export tunneges to strong prine main exporters are: Cuba scoles: 2400,000 tonnes (plus 100,000 Basic export tonnages for available on the Philippines tic the Brazil baving 2,350,000 tonnes

isin on the h. The agreement allows for a letter would be reserve, smorkpile of 2,500,000

the European Community. Financing errangements for the reserve will, according to testablishment of a common fund for commodity stockpiles, tank posed programme.

officials say they are the couraged by the spirit of compromise that finally predominated in attaining what they regard as a sophisticated agreement for one of the world's

Cuba elso accepted limitation on special sales to non-Comecon communist countries: China, Albania, Vietnam, North Korea and Yugoslavia.

Export quotas are to be lifted at 15 cents in a rising market ane imposed at 14 cents in a falling one. When prices continue to rise after quotas are removed because of insufficient supply, the reserve will be released in three equal parts, when the price reaches 19, 20 and 21 cents à ib.

The conference, due to end last Friday and now extended codification of the agreement was the third attempt to reach

From Our Own Correspondent Paris, Oct 5

drinkers.
These figures show that 40 per cent of fatal accidents in

From now until the new

French to be warned on

From now until the new year. French motorists are to be bombarded with publicity with 68 per cent of those warning them of the dangers of drinking and driving or even walking in the street. The "Fight against Alcohol " group are: backing their campaign with snatistics designed to frighten the most moderate of a boule of wine and a "digestive such as brandy, increases"

Frame are in some way conson to appear on billboards, soon to appear on billboards, nected with drinking. A study at a large Paris casualty hospital of 328 fatal accidents showed that 38 per cent of the government and police backdrivers responsible were under

hazards of drinking



One of the 80 illustrations drawn by Queen Margrethe of Denmark to the new edition of J. R. R. Tolkien's trilogy "The Lord of the Rings". She uses the pseudonym Ingahild Grathmer.

# Communist leader sees chance of all-party programme for Spain

night, Spain could have a political arrangement like that of ical arrangement like that of Italy, with a government programme agreed by all democratic parties, including the Communists, but with the present minority Government of Señor Adolfo Suarez remaining in office to apply it, Señor Santiago Carrillo, the Spanish Communist leader Spanish Communist leader, He was about to fly back to Spain after attending the first

two days of the Labour Party conference in Brighton as an observer.
Señor Carrillo came out firmly in favour of reopening the border with Gibraltar.
"We think you British should the border with Gibraltar."

give us back Gibrahar", he said. "It belongs to us. "But, unlike the previous regime which closed the fromtier and put up barriers, we think the democratic forces in trank the democratic forces in Spain should develop contacts with the political and social forces in Gibraltar, in order to dissipate their mistrust and to

to respect the de facto situation which has been created: that Gibraltar could be a Spanish territory and yet keep a special status with its own police, its own administration and so on."

Spanish democracy, Señor Carrillo said, was "sail a very fragile plant which needs careful nuturing". Cooperation of all democratic forces was needed to consolidate it and to overcome the economic crisis before Spanin could afford classic parliamentary of right, left and

This was why the Communist Party had first proposed, after tion of the two biggest parties, the Socialists and the Centre. The Socialists, however, had seen this as a manoeuvre to weaken them by pushing them into government and leaving the Communists as the main opposition party.
Señor Carrillo said he had accepted the Labour Party's in-vitation because he considered

political, economic and social

problems.

The Government and the

political parties should draw up on "emergency plan of

munist and Labour, or socialist, parties a very important element in the construction of a new Europe. Eurocommunism, of which he has made himself the leading theorist, was so far rery weak in Britain, but he thought in the future "the Communist Party, working with the Labour Party, must give birth to a current which will lead to something like Señor Carrillo said Eurocom

munism was "not yet a com-plete ideological system" plete ideological system". Each party had to develop its own contribution independent ly. He hoped there would be more regular meetings and contacts between West Euro-pean communist parties, especially as there were a numbe of characteristics common to all the countries of the region. Señor Carrillo repeated his support for Spain's application to join the European Com-munity. This could be an addi-

### tional guarantee for the free dom of Gibralian, he said. Conference urges ban on torture

From Our Own Correspondent A three-day seminar at Straspolitical parties to join him in roughly half that figure.

a two-day crisis meeting at the weekend to draw up an "emerogency plan" for solving what he described as the "grave difficulties" facing Spain.

The invitations to the party consolidate Spain's democracy leaders in the man had put unemployment an political parties.

In his letter to the leaders of the political parties represented in Parliament, Senor Suarez said the "delicacy of ficulties" facing Spain. bourg under the aegis of Amnesty International and the Council of Europe has called for torture to be placed outside the law internationally. The 90 delegates, including government representatives from the United States and the EEC, called on all governments and international organizations

to cooperate more closely in ensuring the observance of the United Nations treaty on civil and political rights. They adopted a resolution saying that torture was "an odious crime" which was against humanity and on the same level as genocide, slavery, apartheid and ractal discrim-

The seminar also called for all national constitutions to state that torture was expressly forbidden and was a crime at law at both civil and military level.

### Swedish Parliament bans Mrs and Miss

Stockholm, Oct 5.—Several years of feminist pressure for the abolition of "Mrs" and "Miss" in parliament proceedings have been successful and from new on the speaker of the Riksdag (Parliament) will call members by their names only. "Mr" has also been banned from official use. he was sworn in as Foreign banned from official Minister.—Reuter.

# carpe's worst inflation rate. Earlier, the trade unions do away with certain aspects released a study showing that clearly incompatible with unemployment had risen to 10 democracy."—TTDT Prince Philip's reported views on Gibraltar

Señor Suárez invites

party chiefs to talks

Madrid, Oct 5.—Scupr per cent out of the work force Adolfo Suarez, the Spanish of 13 million. The last govern-Prime Minister, today asked ment figures, relating to June, the leaders of all the main had put unemployment at

The invitations to the party consolidate Spain's democracy leaders, including Senor Felipe has made it necessary to reach

Gonzalez, of the Socialists, and agreement between the polit Senor Santiago Carrillo of the ical parties on how to solve

Communists, came as the Spanish statistical institute ennounced that the annual in-

flation rate has passed 30 per

cent. The cost of living rose

20.8 per cent in August to total up on 20.8 per cent for the first eight economic months of the year: west Europe's worst inflation rate.

Europe's worst inflation rate.

Earlier, the trade unions

In an extract from his memoirs published in the monarchist daily ABC, Señor Jose Maria de Areilza, the former Spanish Foreign Minister, said the King quoted Prince Philip as saying in a private

the influence of alcohol, and

the figure increased to 50 per

cent at night.
When it came to pedestrians

fluence of alcohol.

The campaign will give a warning that an average Frenchman's evening drinking, consisting of two aperatifs, half a bontle of wine and a "digestive" such as brandy, increases fourfold the risk of a fatal accident. The campaign stogan soon to appear on hillbnards.

Madrid, Oct 5.—The Duke of Edinburgh was today quoted as telling King Juan Carlos of Spain that Britain was fed up with Gibraltar.

Conversation: "Why the hell don't you get in touch with the people in Gibraltar and make some progress there in favour of an arrangement? We're fed or an arrangement? We're len
up wish the story anyhow, and
it is very expensive at that."
Senor Areeka said the King
told him about Prince Philip's
attitude on Gibraliar in
December, 1975, shortly after

# Portugal emphasizes its republican tradition

Lisbon, Oct 5
Portugad today held nation Portugal today held nation-wide ceremonies to recall the proclamation of the republic 67 years ago. In Lisbon Presi-dent Eanes laid a wreath at the foot of a statue of the great republican leader Antonio Jose de Almeida. Some hours before the cere-mony, supeone distigured the mony, someone disfigured the bronze and marble statue with black and white paint Dr Soares, the Prime Minister, members of his Cabinet and all civil and military authorities were present as President Eanes laid the first of many wreaths. Air Force jets roared overhead during the

Haff an hour later, Dr Soares was present at isoon cemetery as hundreds of people paid homage to republican fighters who are buried there. He went on to the city half for the ceremony of hoisting the national republican flag on the balcony of the building, where it was flust hoisted on October 5, 1910. Similar ceremonies took place in cities and towns all

over Portugal. Loures, 10 miles outside Lisbon, followed its own tradition, however, and celebrated the event vester day; in 1910 the town antici-pated the result of the revolu-tion and flew the republican flag a day ahead.

### Italian anxiety over latest acts of violence death as " a tragic error ".

From Puter Nichels ome Oct 5 The face of awo students— death in a Durin ne busnt to death in a Turin bar set on fire with a petrol bomb, and the other in a state of shock in a Reggio Calabria hospital after kidnippers cut off part of his left ear—has caused amoiety about the

and Diary

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Signor Roberto Crescenzio, the young men fatality injured in the Blue Angel bar in

been in the bar during the disorders which followed a demonstration against the killing on Friday in Rome of a left-wing activist, Signor Welter Rossi

The Turis fate as "a cause for mourning for the whole workers' movement and the whole city of Turin T. It is expected that Sig-nor Diego Novelli, the city's Communist Mayor, will speak

It adds, in its newspaper, that discussion of mistakes by describe Signor Crescenzio's if not comrades, can settle

Turin, will be buried to at the funeral comorrow.

The municipality is The extreme left seems in profusely paying for the funeral and the part dismayed by what hap tary "optimions have called for a pened in Turin None of the on his ear quarter of an hunty's work stop more violent groups has part of the his father.

its members and of the use of violence is our problem, a problem for comrades and for revolutionaries which no one. The mutilation of the Calabrian, Signor Giuseppe Luppino, was carried out by the Calabrian Mafia. He was freed yesterday by police, his arms and legs chained, his eyes blindfolded and still bleeding profusely from the rudimen-tary "operation" performed

unions have called for a pened in harm. None of the quarter of an have's work stop more violent groups has page in all factories of the claimed responsibility for the his father with a note demand-province as an expression of bombing. Lotta Commua, to which Signor Rossi belonged which Signor Rossi belonged ransom and threatening to forther time after a brief career in the cerned with policies himself, police force, goes so far as to if the money was not forthcombine missortune was to have describe Signor Crescenzio's ing. Part of his ear was sent to

### Night-off for prisoners led to doctor's death

Lecce, Italy, Oct 5.—Four in-mates of a local jail, apparently let out for a few hours by a warder, have been charged with the murder of a woman doctor during a rob-bery in this southern Italian bery in this solution itself town two nights ago.

Police said that after leaving the prison under cover of darkness, the four drove to the doctor's house, best up the woman and her husband and rensacked the house, taking about 10 line (about 5650)

about im lire (about £650). The doctor died but her husband survived and was able to identify the men. They were traced to the jail, where the m a cell. The warder suspected of aiming them has detained.—Reuter.

**OVERSEAS** 

# President sees rubble of South Bronx and gives \$543m aid

New York, Oct 5

President Carter announced today that he was giving more federal aid to New York .Then he went on a tour of the city's most blighted area the South Bronx, and satisfied himself that the money was needed. The bour-long rip was unscheduled and local police were given only about 20 minttes

notice of it . Standing in the rubble of crumbled and crumbling tenements the President ordered a study on how the area could be rehabilitated, "what ought to be salvaged and what ought to be torn down."

Many of the buildings in the South Bronx have been burned down by tenants who want to move into better premises or, by landfords seeking fire in-surance paymetns. For this reason firemen call it Gasoline Alley.

Twice during the trip the President stopped and spoke to passers-by, nearly all black or Puerto Rican . His first stop was at an apartment building which is being rehabilitated by tenants, using federal money. His second stop was in an area which has been virtually

### Herr Günter Grass, the West German writer, today challenged President Scheel to defend Herr Heinrich Böll, the Nobel Prize-winning author, against what he called a witch-hunt by the right-wing press and politicians. Herr Böll and other leading leaf-wing insulations. Elephant held by Texas policewoman

Houston, Oct 5.—A four-ton Indian elephant called Big Lydia led 10 police cars on a wild chase through Houston yesterday before she was cap-tured by a seven-stone police-

woman.
"I ran up and grabbed her around her trunk and she stopped", Officer Wanda Boehm said. "It is all kind of exaggerated because it is just

my job."
The elephant was being unloaded for a circus performance when she was frightened by a police siren. She took off on her tour of Houston, causing damage at several stops. France-Presse.

He told Mrs Patricia Harris, the Secretary of Housing and Urban Development, to draw up for him a plan for rehabilitating the area, possibly by turning some of it into recreation space He said it could not all be

done with federal money but by cooperation between Washby cooperation between Washington and the city administra-

The local residents seemed pleased to see him One black teenager shouted as the cars went by: "Give me a job, Mr President, I need a job."
The grant which the President announced was \$543m (£320m) in serrlement of a claim of more whan four times

that figure by the state govern-ment for money under a social services programme. Although it will go to the state govern-ment, much of it will end up in New York City. The amount of the grant has been in dis-pute for some time.

With Mr Carter on his tour was Mr Abraha mBeame, the mayor, who will leave office at the end of the year. Earlier this morning Mr Carter told the mayor, who is 71, that he would be offered a federal job when he left office.

### Strike in Poland reported over food shortages

Warsaw, Oct 5 .- Workers at about five Silesian coal mines went on strike last Thursday and Friday to protest against insufficient food in local shops, a dissident spokesman said here

Mr Leszek Moczulski, of the Polish Movement for the Defence of Human and Citizen Rights, said the area was now calm but police were patrolling the streets. He said the authorities have

taken no action against the strikers, who were protesting particularly against shortages of such basics as meat.—Agence

## S African opposition leader steps down

From Eric Marsden Johhannesburg, Oct 5

After more than 20 years as leader of the Opposition in South Africa, Sir de Villierds Graaff is retiring from active politics and will not seek reelection to the Groote Schuur constituency of Cape Town in the general election on November 30. He led tehe United Party from 1956 until it was dissolved from 1956 until it was dissolved a few months ago.

Sir de Villiers last week gave up tehe interim leadership of the New Republic Party (NRP) which holds 24 of the 48 opposition seats in the House of Assembly. He has been suc-ceeded by Mr Radclyffe Cadman. Attempts to form a coalition or election pact between the NRP and the Progressive Federal Party (PFP) which takes a more radical line, have so far failed.

Sir de Villiers said his decision to retire from Parliament was made for family, health and other reasons. He would continue to support the NRP as a "humble musket bearer" and would help its election campaign. He expressed faith in South Africa's people, black, brown and white, and said that tehough the nation was going through a difficult period in which emotion was triumphing over reason, he was confident commonsense would prevail.

Widespread tributes to Sir de Villiers have been paid by political friends and rivals. He political friends and rivals. He is generally regarded as a statesmanlike figure who lacked the determination to oppose the ruling National Party's apartheid policies.

Mrs Helen Suzmen, who left the United Party in 1959 to form the Progressive Party, said he failed to appreciate the need for unequivocal opposition to a determined and ruthless government.

Mrs Suzman was for years the only Progressive Party MP, but as a result of mergers the PFP now has 18 seats and is expected to emerge as the leading opposition party next month.

# UN envoy to discuss Rhodesia in London

By Our Diplomatic orrespondent

Lieutenant-General Prem Chand, the Indian nominated as United Nations special repre-sentative for Rhodesia, is expected to fly to London next week for talks with Lord Carver on how to handle the negotiations for a Rhodesian settle-ment. He is arrive in New York

from India for discussions at the United Nations at the end of Herr Grass said a "schizoid situation" had developed in which West Germans who were respected abroad, such as writ-ers, and Herr Willy Brandt, discussing his plans at the Lieutenan-the Social Democrat leader, Foreign Office, intends to work thief role in were the object of hate and hand-in-hand with General is to organ

how to respond to Mr Smith's invitation to go to Rhodesia. Any sign of favouring Mr Smith over the other parties must be avoided.

Salisbury: Lieutenant-General Chand is welcome to come to Salisbury for talks with the Government, spokesman said yesterday, seeking reaction to the Chand appointment were referred to a Rhodesian statement

Lieutenant-General Chand's

Their first decision will be guerrilla commanders. He will also "observe that administration of the country and the organization and conduct of the elections are fair and impartial"

But first he is instructed by the United Nations to confer-with Lord Carver and all parties a transition to majority rule. Meanwhile the Rhodesian security forces announced yes-terday that they had killed 22 black nationalist guerrillas and United Nations at the end of this week, before proceeding to London. Lord Carver, who, as the British commissioner-designer of the United Nations to send replacement the past of the British commissioner-designer of the United Nations to send replacement the past of the United Nations to send replacement the past of the United Nations to send replacement the past of the United Nations to send replacement t The announcement was made

chief role in terms of the plan, is to organize a ceasefire between the Government and the after reports from Mozambique spoke of heavy fighting there—AP and UPI.

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Athens, Oct 5

A three-day symposium on the "future of democracy", organized by France-Culture, the French state radio station, opened here today in the theatre of Herodus Atticus, at the foot of the Acropolis, under a blue sky which contrasted sharply with the gloomy picture drawn by most of the speakers of the storm clouds threatening

emocratic government.
The occasion has brought together a paney of distinguished international personalities, gether a paney of distinguished international personalities, including Dom Helder Camara, the Archbishop of Recife; Mr Vladimir Bakaric, a member of the Yugoslav Praesidium; M Michel Debré, the former French Prime Minister; President Luis Echevetria of Mexico; Mr Sean MacBride, the Irish barrister and politician; and Mr Mohammed Heykal, the Egyptian journalist.

Egyptian journalist.
Others attending include Dr Others attending include Dr Mario Soares, the Portuguese Prime Minister: Mr Samuel Pisar, the Polish-American international lawyer; Professor J. K. Galbraith; Professor Arthur Schlesinger; and Mrs Helene Vlachos, the Greek newspaper owner and staunch opponent of the former dictator-ship of the Greek colonels ship of the Greek colonels. The British were conspicuous by their absence. Sir Harold Wilson was due to come but cancelled his acceptance, as did Señor Adolfo Suarez, the Spanish Prime Minister.

Señor Suarez sent a message to the symposium praising democracy as 'the only stable an dist system of the human race' and expressing optimism that democracy could peacefully evolve for authoritarian

systems.
Mr Constantine Tsatsos, the President of Greece, and a well-known constitutional lawyer,

Washington, Oct 5
The United States is serious.

ly permarbed at an apparent

Soviet lead in satellite-destroy-

ing techniques. Some months ago Mr Harold Brown, Secre-tary of Defence, denied that

the Russians had found a way

admitted vesterday that they now have "operational capabi-

hity" to destroy at least some

He told a press conference

that he found this "somewhat

amounced last month that the

Pentagon has greatly increased

American saterlites.

shooting down satellites a laser beams, but he

threatened by the "transforma-tion of individuals into organized masses"; through a little knowledge, which was even more dangerous than no knowledge at all; through the weakening of political authority by pressure groups; and through the power of the execu-tive

tive Mr MacBride say the basic Mr MacBride say the basic cause of the weakness of democracy today in the collapse of public morality, itself provoked by the secientific revolution of the last few decades.

"We live in an age of generalized violence throughout the world," he said. Fifty countries resorted to brutality and torture to maintain their governmens in power. Manking

governmens in power. Mankind had discovered the means of annihilating itself, but fortun-ately Mr. Carter, Mr. Brezhnev and M Giscard d'Estaing were auxious to do something about

it.
M Daniel Mayer, the president of the International League for the Rights of Man, and a former leading Socialist politician in France, felt that democracy would flounder if people found no satisfaction for themselves in it.

Mr Pisar was less pessimistic "If we have some hope in it, this is because it can combine economic prosperity with rela-tive freedom. In Eastern Europe, Europe, there is very little free Europe, there is very little free-dom and even less prosperity. In the West, the economic animal is doing his job well, sometimes too well. The political animal is not doing his."

Mr Bankaric said the classic system of parliamentary done.

system of parliamentary demo-cracy worked well in periods of boom, but underwent a crisis when it was up against economic difficulties. "A return to such a system, as well as to the single party system, would deprive the Yugoslav citizen of many acquired rights", he said.

Soviet lead in ability to destroy satellites

for a war in space. The Ameri-

can technique apparently is for the American missile to ram the enemy sarellite. The Rus-

sions seem to prefer explo-

The Pentagon says that it staged a successful interception and destruction of a target satellite on June 17. Mr. Bruwu's mention of "some"

American sanellites is said to

These are probably the most important. They photograph Russian territory every day and would provide warning of Russian missiles fired at the United States of the Province of

refer to low-flying ones.

### **Protesters** held by Belgrade police From Richard Davy

Belgrade, Oct 5
Yugoslav police today de-tained two human rights acti-vists lobbying on behalf of Lat-vians in the Soviet Union. They are a Miss Krasts, from Sweden, and Mr Olgerts Pavlouskis, from the United States. They were trying to attract the attention of delegates to the 35-nation conference reviewing the 1975 Helsinki agreement which con-tain s provisions on human

Another group, the Societ for Human Rights of Frankfurt, has also been distributing informa-tion about violations of human rights in East Europe. They signatures protesting about these transgressions, but they have been more discreet than the Latvian group and this after-

the Latvian group and this afternoon they were still at liberty.
Meanwhile, opening speeches
continued today. The West
German delegate made a
cautious defence of human
rights. He said the Belgrade
meeting would be the place for
a balanced assessment of what
had been achieved and what had
still to be done.
The Swedish delegate said his

The Swedish delegate said his Government would not refrain from drawing attention to violations of human vibus and it could not regard this as interference in the affairs of other

The conviction that human beings had certain fundamental rights was the very essence of democracy, he said. It was regrentable if the natural con-flict between the individual and the state was regarded as a threat to the state. Such an attitud could have repercus-sions on international relations. He said that when divided families could not be reunited. society was affected.

keep in touch with every mis-tary unit, wherever it may be, and would guide American

and would guide American missiles to their targets in a

Scientific satellites fly higher and are therefore less vulnerable. Military satellites

may have to be sent up into

hope that we can keep space from becoming an area of active conflict", but it would

seem likely now that it will continue to be an area of

higher orbits in the future.



All smiles between Mr Moshe Dayan, Israel's Foreign Minister, and President Carter during their discussions in New York.

# economic link-up call

Ottawa, Oct 5,—The United States has unexpectedly suggested a form of common market with Canada to help solve both countries economic difficulties.

Launching the idea publicty last week in Toronto, Mr Thomas Enders, the American Ambassador told a gathering of businessmen that each country had a "vital national interest" in the other's prosperity.

He called for a joint solution for their economic problems, based on strict reciprocity, par-ticularly in the fields of petro-

The State Department, he disclosed, had already informed Ottawa that the United States was willing to offer substantial tariff reductions Reciprocal lowering of the tariff barrier to trade would undercut inflation and create

many jobs in both countries. Observers regard this ges-ture from Washington as a major diplomatic signal by the Carter Administration to Ottawa Reliable sources report that Vice-President Mondale and Mr Vance, the Secretary of State, will pay an official visit to Canada before the end of the year.—Agence France-Presse.

# US-Canada | Eskimo whale hunts embarrass US

Washington, Oct 5

Wastington, Oct 5

The United States has stuck itself upon the unconstortable horus of a contemporary dileman—over whales. The Americans have taken the lead in attempts to save whales from extinction. They push vigorously for smaller quotes every year, and mag the Japanese and Russians, the last two large-scale whaling nations, removed lessly.

Unfortunately, one of the whales closest to extinction, the bowhead, is hunted exclusively by Americans. They are Alaskan Eskimos and the Inter-national Whaling Commission has just abolished their annual

The Eskimoes are proesting vigorously, arguing that whale-huntin gis part of their tradi-tional lifestyle and that the Government, which professes a determination to protect all American aborigines and their way of life, should allow them

The United States Government has until October 24 to file an objection to the "zero quota" for bowbeads. If it does so, the Japanese and Russians, not to mention Chileans and would promptly accuse it of

hypocrisy.

The Eskimoes accuse conservationists of racism and all the sins which Europeans have committed against Indians over the centuries. Since oil came to the Alaskan North Slope, relations between "Anglos" relations between "Anglos" and Eskimoes have deteriorated sharply, and this is the sort of issue which provokes the worst

bowheads is essential to the preservation of Indian culture is tempting but, in fact, exceedingly weak. For centuries Eskimoes did, indeed, rel you whale meat. There were many religious rites associated with the whale hunt, and whale bone layed an important part in the Eskimo economy.

In the past two years, how everything has changed. Eskinnes are now rich enough in oil money to buy motor voats, powerful rifles and explosive harpoons. Forty-eight howheads were slaughtered last year and it is reported that 77 were hit but escaped, of which about half probably died of their wounds.

Whale hunting has ceased being a ritual or a means of survival, and has become a Problems of ending differences between Lebanese troops.

# Price to be paid for integrating an army

Captain Amin Kassem of the Lebanese Arab army takes lunch with his officers once a week at Tyre's best restaurant, the cafe of the Rest House Hotel one mile south of the town and within sight of the Israel houser. town and within sight of the Israel border.
In his large brown sunglasses and creased green uniform, he does not look like the kind of man who could com-

form, he does not look like the kind of man who could command the dissident Muslim soldiers of the old Lebanese army. But 200 of his men are quartered in the yellow-walled barracks just down the road and another 300 are sitting in their billets at Nabatea and Thinne.

Carrain Kassem, as any of

Captain Kassem, as any of the military personnel in Beirut will tell you, is quite an important figure just now. If the new regular Lebanese army is to move into the south of Lebanon, then his men will somehow have to be integrated into their ranks and that, as Captain Kassem himself makes clear will mean a price to be

paid.

For well over a year the Lebanese Arab army has been fighting a peculiar, almost unique struggle against what it considers to be the enemies of Lebanon. During the civil war, and under the quixotic leadership of Second Lieutenant Ahmed al-Khatib, it bender with the Palestanians against with the Palestinians against the Christian right and its former Christian Lebanese

army comrades. army comrades.

Then, when the Syrians brought that conflict to an end at remnants went on to fight the Israeli-supported Lebanese Christians in the south of the country.

The Syrians tried to weaken this rag-tag little army last January by myining Second Lieutenant al-Khatib for talks at the central Lebanese town of Chraura, where they spirited away the luckless young officer to the Mese prison in Damascus where he still resides. But the Lebanese Arab army, still dutifully paid by the authorities in Beirut who have long lost control of it. took its few aging British tanks and graffiti-covered per-sonnel carriers off to the south to fight on. So since the cease-fire last week, Captain Kassen and his men-formally but not always amicably allied to the Palestinians—have been wait-ing for President Sarkis's new army to show up.

To cooperate with the effi-

glan military college at Arlon and student of the Beirot army academy—is demanding a pardon for any of his officers who may have angered Christian commanders during the civil war, the dismissal of all the Christian Lebanese Soldiers whom he has been fighting in southern Lebanon, and the release of Second Lieutenam al-Khatib.

Three of Captain Kassem's

Three of Captain Kassem's men have been in Beirut this week, calking over these demands with representatives of the new army's energetic cavalry commander, General Victor Khoury.

What General Khoury, who

What General Know, who is a Christian, decides to do, is going to be of great importance for the future of Lebanon's armed forces. Dedicated to remoulding a national army, he can scarcely accept the entire Lebanese army back into the ranks without a muratur; some of Captain Kassem's men are believed to have sem's men are believed to have been making a tidy sum in protection rackets these past few months. Equally, General Khoury is not going to cashier all the Christian Lebanese sol-

ell the Christian Lebanese soldiers in southern Lebanon.

Yet Captain Kassem seems
edamant. "The Lebanese
Christian soldiers here have
been mere agents of the Israeli
Army", he says. "We do not
accept them at all in the new
army. We consider ourselves
the legal forces here and the
Government must ensure our
legal situation in the south.
We are still facing the enemies
of our country."

send about 1,500 of his 6,000 men to the south. Recruiting is still going on almost every day a military helicopter roars low over central Beirut and scatters recruiting pamphleta When General Khoury required some new howitzers the other week, his officers turned down a Syrian offer of someone should suggest the Lebanese were beholden to

Bur can General Khoury clean up the south without Syrian help? Military sources in Beirut suggest that when the operation begins, four of be put under house arrest while Muslim officers of the new strmy take command their men.

The same sources say that want to imprison one more o fficer in the Mese prison in Damascus—none cient new militia being sent prison in Damascus—none down from Beirut, Captain other than the intransigent Kassem—graduate of the Bel- Captain Kassem.

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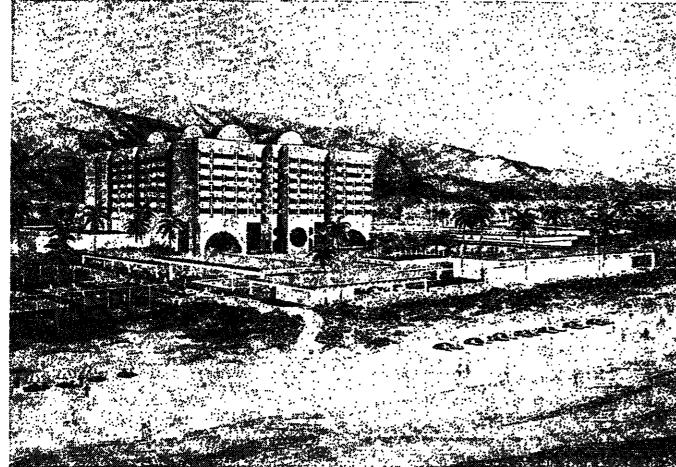
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# Nigerian assembly opens after 11 violent years

towards returning to civilian rule and democracy with the opening today of the Constituent Assembly in Parliament

Over the coming months the 203 members of the assembly will consider in detail a draft constitution and agree on a final form. Political parties will then be allowed to reap-pear and the military govern-ment has promised that full and free elections will be held in 1979. The soldiers will then

go back to their barracks.

It is hardly surprising that the process is slow and careful, that people move on tip-toe, as it were. Since politicians last ar were. Since polaticians last gathered at Parliament Buildings 11 years ago there has been a succession of bloody coups, counter-coups and attempted coups, and also a long and bitter civil war. Hundreds of thousands of Nicotice for a light polatical series of the last polatical series and light polatical series for a light polatica

Nigerians have died violently. However, the omens are now favourable. The military regime of Lieutenant-General regime of Lieutenant-General ment for the most part— Olusegun Obasanjo has pre-though more traditional dis-pared the way for political life trict and willage heads will be

slightly, the divisions between the North (mainly Hausa-Fulani), the West (Yoruba) and the East (Ibo) were reamphasized in every political clash and finally put on into-lerable strain on the whole fabric of the nation.

It is boosed that this will change now. For one thing, the many minority ethnic groups

many minority ethnic groups will be better placed to exercise influence. The new political parties, if things go according to plan, will cut right across ethnic divisions.

The new local government scheme provides for large automous councils with wide functions.

functions.

It is a democratic arrange-

by instituting first a new system of state divisions and local states—and local elections have an executive president, elected already been held, as a sort of separately from the legislature, trial run for full democracy. Taker than a prime minister in 1966 there were four states.

The cold arrangement tested although there were no which also would not be part political parties.

The Constituent Assembly is

also an elected body, apart from 20 members numicated by the ministry and some exofficio members of the commission that drafted the coustitution. It was an indirect elec-tion, with members of the local councils voting, and again there were no parties.

Some allegations were inevsome energianous were meritably made of influence pedding and corruption, but this poll, too, was on the whole a most successful preliminary exercise in democracy. Observers were surprised at the survival of so many old

faces from the pre-1966 political life of Nigeria.

been so prosperous, thanks to oil. More important, observers oil. More important, observers report that there is now a greater sense of unity, of all belonging to one nation, than there ever has been.

The fact that President Carter has chosen Nigeria as the African country he will visit in his world tour next mouth indicates the importance the world attaches to it, and thus to the deliberations

and thus to the deliberations of the Constituent Assembly.

Three poachers die faces from the pre-1966 political life of Nigeria.

While Ghena is searching for some new form of African based "union government" for kenya's higgest game park. The its return to civilian rule, Nigeria has been consent to return to Western models. Its draft constitution follows the tity of ammunition.—AP.

# Soviet arms for Ethiopia 'sent through Libya'

Cairo, Oct 5.—The Three Arabic daily newspapers in Cairo today printed identical reports saying that Benghazi harbour, in Libya, has been closed for more than a week to unload large quantities or Soviet weapons for Ethiopia. Under a Benghazi dateline and quoting unspecified news agencies, Al Ahram, Al Akhbar and Al Gomhouria, said that the weapons included rockets and air defence equipment.

The reports said that Colonel Gaddafi, the Libyan leader, was doing his utmost,

causing a political crisis for Colonel Gaddafi.—Reuter. Nairobi, Oct 5.—Somalia said today that Ethiopian fighter air-craft had attacked a hospital in craft had attacked a hospital in the Somali-held town of Jijiga yesterday, killing six persons and injuring nine others.

Mogadishu radio also reported scattered fighting in the southern Bale province, where another insurgent group known as the Somali Abo Liberation Front )SALF) is trying to annex Ethiopian. trying to annex Ethiopian lands. SALF said that 35 Eth-iopian soldiers had been killed "with pressure from the new Soviet ambassador in Tripoli", to help Ethiopia for fear that the city of Harer would fall into the hands of Somali guerrillas in the Ogaden desert, and AP.

# Terror threat to Japan

Tokyo, Oct 5.—Japan today began negotiating with Algeria for the extradition of five hijackers who seized a Japan-ese airliner over India last week and held it for five days in Bangladesh.

and held it for five days in Bangladesh.
It also asked the Algerians to return six other members of the Japanese Red Army movement and \$6m (£3.5m) given to the hijackers in exchange for 151 hostages, the last of whom was released in Algiers on Monday.

After a heated cabinet meet-

After a heated cabinet meeting, the Government announced it was asking for the money and the guerrillas to be returned.

It also requested that if the
11 terrorists could not be

returned to Japanese custody, at least Algeria would prevent them from leaving the country and ensure that the money was not used to pay for further terrorist actions.

Japanese Red Army terrorists are planning hit and run attacks within Japan after last week's hijacking; Kyodo news agency reported today in a dispatch from Cyprus.

It quoted a leader of the group as saying the Red Army planned to "crush the emperor system and Japanese imperial-ism, drive United States forces out of Japan and establish a People's Republic of Japan."—

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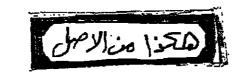
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# Attempts in India and Pakistan to n army out ex-premiers on trial seem o have intensified political crises

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hat tide may seem for Mrs sandhi, who imposed 20 sandhi, who imposed 20 sandhi, or for Mr Bhutto, who imposed with modern pechniques a latter day oriental des-

Lack of adequate preparare sion by the authorities in both summines certainly played into the principle skilled opponents' to cands. Almost incredibly, since ormer prime ministers do not man daily into court in criminal in increases, the Challans (police Remembers) prepared against Mrs lang randhi for alleged corruption The md against Mr Bhutto for a central signature were both inhomplete when the two politi-gans were produced in the claim and Labore courts. don't a transfer outre possibly in the In-

Journalists

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riom Our Own Correspondent

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o him last week. He denied has and said that reporters who felt it compromised their other to remain with the

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The parliame o complaints of this kind. Two marked by a rears ago reporters on The so would be reast allow, which he also owns, which he also owns, we share complained of sharted covering the sharted covering the sharted covering the sheet on and went on strike for processes, has few hours. He gave them as important exchort shrift as he has given the protesters in New York. In the primary election for mayor, the Post supported Market and the covering mayor, the Post supported Market and the primary election for the

eventual winner. Reporters say in the reports favourable to Mr. Koch were displayed to prominently in the paper.

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Since Mr Murdoch took it because the over in January, circulation of the Post has increased from the the Market Co. 100 to about 650,000.

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were made because General Zia, the Pakistan chief martial law administrator, and the Janata Government in India e courts to neutralize the became alarmed at the remember that politics "is not dirical influence of their renewed upsurge of popularity a morality play" and to stop tempties once all properties of those who resemed last who seemed last spring to have lost popular

only to oust Mrs Gandhi.

In a leading article today
The Statesman advised the

pursuing Mr. Gandhi in the courts for her alleged mis-

deeds. Blandly to pursue the imperative of Mr Charan Singh, the Home Minister, that

no one should be above the law, ignored the fact, it argued that Mrs Gandhi had done the country some service

in the past.
For Mr Bhutto, who resur-

rected Paleistan after the creation of Bangladesh in 1971, the same argument could easily be made. But that kind of political flexibility is rejected by Geoeral Zia, who proclaims his faish in an Islamic code of

faith in an Islamic code of

tan's attempt to do away politi-cally with its former prime

minister has primer prime country into a far graver crisis than has India's. "The difference between Mrs Gandhi and me is that this is a mili-

does not have tanks". Mr Bhutto told correspondents on

the day he was briefly granted

release, has now begun to cam-

paign for mext spring's elec-tions due in southern India. Although Mr Singh and his police inspectors have red faces, having assured the Prime Minister that his

requirements for a cast iron tase against Mrs Gandhi had

touched.

All the political machinery

dent movement has been smeshed, and the trade unions

Revolt within the senior ranks of the armed forces is

unlikely. Recent changes at the top contained no blatantly political appointments and

probably rule out a repetition of the attempted army coup in

with vigour and determination

notably the narcotics traffic and corruption. The drive

Mrs Gandhi, after her

This underlines how Pakis

benefited the intended National Alliance had not even chine. The question raised is assembled one when General Zia last weekend postponed the general election due later the general election due fater this month. The Janata Government has still not agreed on its economic programme. But such an electorate does identify emotionally with charismatic leaders, especially against a political clare. Above all it has political class. Above all, it has

Can the Indian people be truly ambivalent after the traumatic experience of the emergency?" Mr E. P. da Costa, director of India's public opinion institute, asked in the Indian Express today. "It seems they can and indeed. Indian Express today. "It seems they can and indeed seems they can and indeed they now are. They are both for and against Indira Gandhi but much more for than.

In Pakistan big centres of opposition to Mr Bhutto last spring held large pro-Bhutto meetings just before General Zia's postponement of the elec-

Both Mrs Gandhi and Mr Bhutto are consummate populists who have for years raided Western politics for their slo-gans. Born to privilege in very poor societies they are both autocrats and so do not underbeen met before he gave per-mission for her arrest, nothing vital in India's national life is stand accountability. It is naive to expect "remorse

All this provides them with a mass of supporters who can a mass of supporters who can easily unnerve both a military government which is inherently weak and a coalition just kicked away all the safety government, although demo-

From Our Correspondent

One year after the right-wing

military coup in Thalland, the country is still under curfew from 1 am to 4.30 gm. Twice a

day, at 8 am and 6 pm, towns come to a sudden halt as street

loudspeakers boom out the

newspapers have been tem-porarily closed at least once for displeasing the Govern-

the nation has achieved some stability. Although early changes are expected in Mr Tanin Kraivixien's Government,

a major political upheaval at this stage would surprise every-one. Organized opposition to the

Bangkok, Oct 5

national anthem.

Democracy no nearer

a year after Thai coup

parties no longer exist and the Army next year when he is political activities ere against the law. Applicants for teacher training are now screened and leftists weeded out.

Newspapers voice no serious acumen and experience, is the military. In the most likely man to succeed Mr Tanin.

Mr Tanin's Government has newspapers have been tem with vigour and determination.

ment.

Thailand has not moved an inch towards democracy, but the nation has achieved some and lead to his downfall.

In brief

Peru call for elections

Lima, Oct 5.—The Peruvian military Government has called elections for June 4, 1978, to produce a constituent assembly new constitution. The constituent assembly will begin its work on July 28, next year and complete its task in

Finns move out

July, 1979.

New York, Oct 5 .- The 200 Finnish soldiers serving with the United Nations peacekeep-ing force in Cyprus will be withdrawn at the end of this month and will not be replaced, the United Nations announced. One reason was the "critical financial condition" of the

Eggs and jam .

Tokyo, Oct 5.-A lorry carry ing eggs collided with another lorry in the Tokyo suburb of Suginami today, and spik about 66,300 eggs on to the road, suspending traffic for three hours in the morning rush hour. Two fire engines powred sand on the horge pool of egg yolks.

Queensland polling Canberra, Oct 5.—Queens land will have elections for a tion, which holds only 11 seats in the 82-seat Parliament, is expected to make strong gains at the expense of the Liberal

Aid reversal

Washington, Oct 5.—The State Department is giving conditional approval to a previously suspended \$2.5m (£1.47m) military sales programme for Missey states. Nicaragua because of potential improvements in the human rights position there.

Kidnappers killed

Buenos Aires, Oct 5.—Six men who had held the wife of a Piat executive hostage since last Priday were killed by police gunfire yesterday at Avellanada, near Bueros Aires. The name of the hostage has not been revealed.

announced a royal commission to inquire into the country's growing illicit drugs trade in which Chinese secret societies and Mafia-style gangsters have been implicated.

An unknown number of or we are unknown number of people arrested as a result of the coup of October 6 last year down.

The new Supreme Commend as "endangering society", but thousands of others have been released throughout the year.

The anti-leftist regime has military advisory council, where the real power lies. General Kriangsak will retire from the is Geneva, Oct 5.-United States. Soviet and British negotiators met for 90 minutes here in their talks aimed at drawing up a treaty to ban all nuclear weapons tests. They will meet again on Friday.

Peking trade talks

Trade, met a Sino-British Trade Council mission led by Lord Nelson of Stafford, president of the council.

Turkish tremor

Ankara, Oct 5.-An earthquake measuring 5.4 on the Richter scale destroyed two houses and damaged about 50 in

Joint heart project

Drugs trade inquiry

Canberra, Oct 5.—Mr Fraser, the Australian Prime Minister,

Nuclear meeting

Pekin, Oct 5.—Mr Li Chiang, the Chinese Minister of Foreign

north-central Turkey, but no casualties wer reported.

The military's main dissatisfaction is said to be with the Government's failure to improve the lives of rural people. There are many plans on paper, but little has been done.

Joint heart project

Moscow, Oct 5.—Soviet and American scientists have agreed on a five-year project to develop a joint design for an artificial heart. Tass reported.

# Tanzanian sentenced to

Dar es Salaam, Oct 5.-A offences were almost treason-

decisive stage.
"Enemies of that struggle are bound to increase their efforts to sabotage it and make use of the unpatriotic citizens of this country." The sentence was

on espionage and sabotage," he said. "Such information was

seen collecting from his post office hox contained a note from Mr Wilson and £10, the court heard. More letters from Mr Wilson were found at Mr Zangira's home and office.-

# Seoul leaders target for 'Operation Peony' girls

Hongkong, Oct 5
President Kim Il Sung of North Korea has ordered the recruiting of units of attractive according to a recent defector.

outset, might eliminate some South Korean leaders. Suspicion about genuine even execution Apparently provocation.

North Korea is alarmed at the Each batte North Korea is assumed at the prospect of growing defection.

Each battalion had about 400 soldiers, including 35 officers,

Western diplomaz remarked that Operation Peony suggested "a continuing floral blossoming" in North Korean

South Korean leaders.

Suspicion about germine defectors to the south would be estimated leading to their rejection, imprisonment or attributed to South Korean

David Lloyd was expected to resign the captainty of Lancashire County Cricket Club at a consultate meeting at Old Trafford last night.



Spanish challenge : Severiano Ballesteros (left), who defeated Faldo, and Manuel Piñero, an easy winner against Player

# Three British players eliminated

year, but yesterday in spite of some brilliant flashes his game, especially in the afternoon, looked

Jaced.

After Irwin had won three holes with birdies in the first five, Oosterhuis replied with two birdies

and was square by the turn. At the 11th he took the lead by bol-ing a nine iron from 120 yards for an eagle two. Irwin did not join in the general euphoria; he

Golf Correspondent

By Peter Ryde
Golf Correspondent
The world match-play champlonship, sponsored by Colgate, enters
the quarter-final stage today with
the three Britons eliminated. In
the past Oosterhuis and Jacklin
have both reached the semi-final
round, and In the first contest
Coles was in the final, but otherwise their record in the event
is not inspiring. The line-up for
today will be: \$.45 and 1.0:
Hugh Balocchi (South Africa) v
Hale Irwin (United States): 9.0
and 1.15 Gerham Marsh (Austrahalv Wannel Pidero (Spain);
9.15 and 1.30 Tom Watson (United
States) v Seveniano Ballesteros
(Spain); 9.30 and 1.45 Lanny
Wadkins (United States) v
Four nationalities are represented in the last eight, half of
them American and two Spanish.
The Briton who came nearest to
winning was Oosterhuis who took
his match against Irwin to the 36th
hole, although never likely to
win that. Looking back on it, he
must surely regret the chances
that went astray in the morning.

must surely regret the chances that went astray in the morning. He missed from 6ft at the 14th and 18th for the bole, and at the

Card of course

of the 15th struck a three iron to 6ft, regaining the lead he had lost 26 holes before. On balance he deserved to win because he got into trouble less often, Irwin has now played 10 matches in this event and won nine of them in better than par. and 18th for the hole, and at the 17th, where he was just short in two, he chipped and missed from 3ft to go two up. He needed to take those chances on the green for his long game was slack. Unlike Irwin, who rested last week, he played in a tournament which finished last Sunday in California. It made almost certain a Piayer tasted defeat that must have been all the more bitter in view of his unmatched record in this event and the fact that he had burst into a five-hale lead after seven holes against Piñero, at which point he was four under par. Piñero had started nervously, but Player gave him his chance by missing the eighth, unth and 12th fairways from the tee and losing all three.

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li three.

Pinero quickly took his chance, began to turn on the birdies and passed from five down to five up in the space of 18 holes. If Player was over par in that spell, Pinero was six or seven under. He was the first the first that the first began to turn on the birdies and passed from five down to five up in the space of 18 holes. If Player was over par in that speil, Piñero was six or seven under. He was two up at lunch and kept the pressure on by hitting a three wood to 4ft at the 19th for another birdie. "It was a mos' happy day", he said later, "because

Player is one of my mos' favourite players." The Spaniard has watched many films of his idol and tried to model his game on his. Player was a bearen man and there was no likelihood of his staging another Lema-style recovery as in 1965.

The general impression that the

recovery as in 1965.

The general impression that the standard of play lacked the sparkle of other years was borne out by two other winners, Baiocchi and Watson. Baiocchi said he drove like an idiot against Marsh and counted himself lucky that his short game was good enough to see him through. Marsh built an early lead, but Baiocchi pulled him back with birdies at the 11th and 16th. The South African was three up at the turn in the after and 16th. The South Arrican was three up at the torn in the after noon, which he reached in 35. Marsh hung on, beginning to get the pace of the greens better—he was frequently short—but never got back on to terms. Baiocchi does not face Irwin

join in the general euphoria; he took no more notice than if a fly had alighted on his shoulder, and replied at the 12th with a perfect eagle, striking a three wood to 15ft. These were highlights for, although Oosterhuis was round in 68 and one up, the scoring was better than the shotmaking. The Englishman was still one up with six to play after many halves in the afternoon, but at the 13th he drove poorly, tried to carry the corner with a three iron but buried the ball in the trees. Irwin took his chance and at the 15th struck a three iron to 6ft, regaining the lead he had Baiocchi does not face Irwin today with any confidence for he is still searching for rhythm, and a man driving badly cannot be in an easy frame of mind here. He went off in light rain to the practice ground where Watson promised to join him later. "It was not a masterpiece, but it got the job done", was how Watson described his victory over Hsieh Min Nam. The Oriental had a disadvantage in length on the slow fairways, but it was on the greens that he really lost the match. Watson lunched four up, going round in about 71 and getting the ball into the hole, one susround in about 1.1 and getting the hall into the hole, one suspects, by sheer character as much as anything. He looks jaded after a tiring season in which the Masters victory must seem a million years away. For this

> It was the putting failures that prevented Green from making a closer match against Marsh who was lucky to go to lunch one up

after a morning round of 75. Green played peautifully last week without any success on the green and yesterday he missed at least eight puts from no more than 8ft. Marsh who has also been in form picked up birdies in the second round just when he needed them, and his match against Piñero should be one of

he needed them, and his match against Piñero should be one of the more entertaining ones.

An air of inevitability hung around Wadkins's victory over Coles from the moment when the Briton allowed his opponent to win two of the first four holes. Birdies at the 9th and 13th made the American four nn. and Birdies at the 9th and 13th made the American four up, and although Coles got him back to one at the fourth in the afternoon, Wadkins restored the situation with a six iron to 3ft for a birdie at the very next hole. Acosta, of Mexico, made a splendid fight against Floyd who had been live up after 11 and was two up after going round in 69. The Mexican wore him down, became one up with a birdie at the 16th in the afternoon, but drove out of bounds at the 17th. He saved himself with a 10ft purt at the 18th, but drove poorly at the first extra bole and Floyd's four from a huge drive was good enough.

### First round results

M. Piñero (Spain) beat G. G. Marsh (Australia) beat H. Green (US), 5 and 4. L. Wadkins (US) beat N. Coles

H. Baiocchi (SA) beat D. Graham (Australia), 2 and 1.

Faldo (GB), 4 and 2.

H. Irwin (US) beat P. Oosterhuis (GB), 1 hole.

T. Watson (US) beat Hsieh Min Nan (Taiwan), 2 and 1. R. Floyd (US) beat E. Acosta (Mexico), at 37th.

# Ballesteros master of the short game

By John Woodcock
The meeting of Faldo and Ballesteros was more than just that: it was a match within a match, between the two most promising golfers in Europe. Both of them are long, strong and 20

vears old. Ballesteros won on the 34th green, having never been behind. His putting was marvellous. Time His putting was marvellous. Time and time again, in the morning, he got into trouble off the tee and out of it on the greens. His pitching, too, was wonderfully resourceful.

The short fifth and the par four seventh were typical of Ballesteros's first round. At the fifth, he cut a four iron on to

**Hookes** denies

Adelaide, Oct 5.—David Hookes, the Australian Test batsman today ended speculation that he was on the brink of withdrawing from Kerry Packer's cricket series.

Hookes told reporters here that he looked on his cricketing future

he looked on his cricketing future as a business as well as a sport, and said he would honour his commitment to Packer. Talks between Hookes and Australian Test selector, Phil Ridings, over the past month had started rumours that the young left hander could withdraw from the Packer series.

Packer series.

Hookes said Ridings, who is also the president of the South Australian Cricket Association, had offered him a number of combined sponsorship deals to keephim in representative cricket.—Reuter.

Kent chairman

withdrawal

from Packer

the track which runs beside the green; but he bumbled the ball up, across the stones, and over the banks, to within a yard, for a half in three. At the seventh, he booked his drive into the silver birches, middling one of them so that the ball bounced back just far enough to give him a shot at the flag. Hitting it low with a three iron, he found the back of the green for another adventurous half.

After 16 holes Faldo was three of all his alarms, heading for a day, with Ballasteros, in spite of all his alarms, heading for a day, with Ballasteros, in spite of all his alarms, heading for a day, with the heading for a fine to fall his alarms, heading for a fine to fall his alarms, heading for a fall his ala

Yachting **Dutch ketch is** 

heading for a record

Cape Town. Oct 5.—The Dutch ketch Flver, skippered by Cornelius Van Rietschoten, is leading in the first leg of the round-theworld vacht race sponsored by Whitbread.

A South African navy patrol last night reported Flyer 112 nauncal miles west of here, which would bring it across the finishing line here roday in the record time of

bring it across the finishing line here today in the record time of 38 days since it set out from Portsmouth.

The navy report said the British ketch, Great Britain II, in the lead a few days ago, had faded from the scene and another British ketch, King's Legend, with Nicholas Rarcliff at the helm, was in second position.—Agence France-Presse.

Tennis

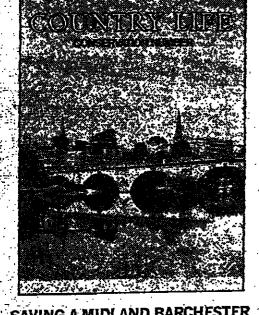
### Swedish player warned by umpire

Nina Bohm, of Sweden, the winner of the first leg of the team international in the lawn tennis circuit, spansored by Pernod, at Edinburgh last week, Peruod, at Edinburgh last week, was warued by an umpire, in the second leg at Washington, co Durham, yesterday. The Swede lost her temper after a disputed line call, which put her 0—3 down in the second set the break, as she was going down 6—3, 7—6 to Petra Delhees, of Switzerland.

MEN'S UNDER-21 TEAM: Quarterinal round: J. Seitlemaper 'WG', be.' S. Eitner 'Czechoslovakla', 7—5, 22: N. Mohadi 'Canada' beat R. Probet (WG'), 6—4, 6—8.

WOMEN'S OPEN SINGLES: First round: S. Mappin beat D. Morgan, 6—4, 6—2: C. Harrison beat J. Connor (NZ), 6—1, 4—6, 6—1.

WOMEN'S UNDER-21 TEAM: Quarter-final round: P. Dolbes (Switzer-land) best N. Bohm (Sweden), 6—1, 7—6: L. Pichova (Czechoslowakia) beat A. Hooba, 1—6, 6—2, 6—4.



John Comforth examines some of the problems facing Shrewsbury, Salop, including that of accommodating heavy traffic, maintaining the cohesion of the townscape

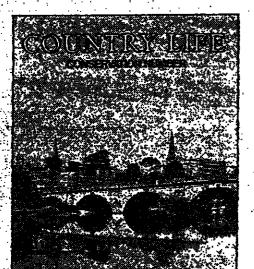
Elizabeth Johnson describes her visit

to the Spanish Riding School in Vienna before their forthcoming performances in London at the Empire Pool, Wembley.

and plans for Lundy Island in the Bristol Channel. PAINTING'S ELUSIVE JOYS

who painted in the mid 19th century. COUNTRYL

On sale now



SAVING A MIDLAND BARCHESTER

and preserving a substantial number of listed buildings. SPANISH RIDING SCHOOL OF VIENNA

WILDLIFE OF LUNDY

J. N. P. Watson discusses the conservationist aims Charlotte Miller assesses the work and importance of William and John Joy. two marine artists from Great Yarmouth

**Conservation Number** 

# 20 years' jail for spying

former Tanzanian intelligence officer was sentenced to 20 years in prison today for spying on his country and southern African liberation movements that in 1971 Mr Zangira had met that in 1971 Mr Zangira had met the said the sai

Passing sentence, the court said Mr Zangira had betrayed the cause of African liberation in his correspondence between 1971 and 1977 with Mr John Wilson, of Park Drive, Derry Hill, Calne, Wiltshire.

The judge said: "I have The judge said: "I have taken into account the fact that the armed struggle in central southern Africa is now approaching its peak and its

aimed at deterring others who might be tempted to commit similar offences. Mr Zangira's Reuter.

based here. Juma Thomas a Mr Wiltshire who said he Zangira, aged 35, is the first had a friend interested in news Tanzanian to be convicted of from Africa. Mr Zangira had given his address to Mr Wiltshire and received his first letter from Mr John Wilson in November, 1971. Since then he had sent about 30 letters to England, Mr Meela said. "Information sought centred

prejudicial to the safety of this

country."

Mr Zangira was arrested on July 29, after police were told he was communicating with a foreign agent. A letter he was

From Our Correspondent young women for infiltration plans. "Let us remember", he into South Korea as assassing, said, "that six months ago saboteurs and fake defectors, worth Korean botanists designated the state of the sta The project, known as orchid as the 'Kim H Sung "Operation Peony", was disclosed by Mr Lee Yong Son in far—to distribute it for propa-Seoul. He said the female units gands plantation in Japan, were intended to operate on a long-range basis which, at the

nated a blended variety of Hongkong, the Philippines and South-East Asian states." The defector said North

not seeking re-election Mr Walter Brice, chairman of Kent County Cricket Club for the past four years, is not seeking re-election at the annual meeting next spring. Mr Brice said yesterday thought it right to tell the club now so that everyone has time to

consider the position for next year. I feel that four years is long enough for anyone to serve in such a position." Mr Brice, who was Kent's presi-dent in 1973, will continue on the club's general committee, on which he has two more years to

# Ali signs to defend his world title in February

New York, Oct 4.—Muhammad Ali will defend his heavyweight boxing title early in February against the winner of the Leon Spinks and Alfio Righetti bout. Mr Bob Arum, president of Top Rank, Inc, said he had signed contracts with Ali and his manager, Herbert Muhammad, and Spinks and Righetti calling for the champlon to receive \$3.5m and the challenger between \$200,000 and \$300,000.

Teleran, the capital of Iran, is and \$300,000.

Telleran, the capital of Iran, is the leading site, Arum said. Other potential sites, he suid, are New York's Madison Square Garden and Las Vegas Hilton Hotel. Arum added that negotiations were under way with all three networks for a home telecast of the bout. Arum said he expects to announce an exact date and location for the bout by early next week.

The contest between Spinks, the Olympic light heavyweight champion from St Louis, and Righetti, the unbeaten Italian heavyweight, will take place in November, Arum said. The bout, also promoted by Top Rank, probably will be held in Las Vegas, he added.

Arum said the contract with Ali and his manager was signed on August 19 and prevents the champion from signing for another bout in the interim. Spinks and Righetti signed a week later, he said.

Ali, who like Spinks a former Olympic light heavyweight champion, outpointed Earnie Shavers last Thursday night at Madison Square Garden to retain the heavyweight title. Spinks is undefeated but has had maly five professional contests.—UPI.

# Magri turns professional

appearance at the Royal Albert Hall on October 25, and expects to graduate to meeting continental. opposition by the end of the year. Magri is a natural flyweight and his macager, Terry Lawless, wants him to remain in this division instead of going up into the pantamweights to get contests, as most flyweights have to do. Pro-vided Magri beats Neil McLaughlin, vided Magri beats Neil McLaughlin, of Bellast, on October 25, he will box again in December, against a continental having akeady run out of logical British opposition.

"Magri, at 21, is potentially world class and he will not have his chances prejudiced by puring him in with bantamweights",

Charlie Magri, the winner of Michael Barrett, the promoter, four ABA titles, and one of Said yesterday. "So, if necessary, swe will bring in opponents, eventually from Mexico and Japan and South America. There is no lack of good opposition in those places." Brian Byrne, aged 21, a light

middleweight, who competed with-out success in the Montreal Olympic Games, will be in Dub-Orympic Games, will be in Dub-lin's amateur boxing team for an inter-city match in London on October 20. Also selected is Philip Sutcliffe, a 17-year-old flyweight who as a light-flyweight won a brenze medal in the European junior championships. The team is: flyweight, P. Sub-cliffe; featherweight, P. Larkin; lightweight, S. Doyle; light-welter-weight, C. Ruth; welterweight, M. Cowap; light-middleweight, B. Byrne; light-heavyweight, T. Spencer; heavyweight, W. Cooper.

Football

# No crowd problems as United's despair soon turns to delight

By Norman Fox Football Correspondent

Manchester United 2 St Etienne 9
Delay and passing despair after
being disqualified from the European Cup Winners' Cup mrned to
delight for Manchester United at Home Park, Plymouth, last might, Their first round second leg de against St Etienne, put off for a week and moved away from their Old Trafford home after a successful appeal against suspension, was a peaceful and enjoyable game, played without a visible trace of crowd trouble

baderstandably amoyed at being denied real home advantage, had no need to be apprehensive. They overcame St Etienne's lively start, controlled the French attack through some excellent defending

—1 on aggregate for a second count the against Porto. Plymouth was well prepared for the small United armada and though the town was noisy, it was not badly discurbed during the day. The sale of tickets had ended on Tuesday, and there were many disappointed United day trippers outside the ground. Inside, a crowd of 32,000 behaved

Inside, a crowd of 32,000 behaved impeccably.

Both teams were changed and strengthened since they met in the infamous first leg. Pearson was passed fit in the afternoon, and Macari, who missed the match in France, was now in midfield. Jimmy Greenhoff was now in the attack. St Edenne had their clever, shaggy-haired ball player, Rocheteau on from the start instead of being substitute.

With their away goal scored in

had something to balance against having to play 280 miles from Manchester, but St Etienne settled more quickly, smoothly stricting more quickly, smoothly stricting the beautifully prepared pitch that, it was difficult to believe, had been played upon only the meht before. United were pushed back by fine attacking football as St Etienne were the first to use the full width and soon penetrated the

width and soon penetrated the penalty area.
Close marking on Pearson and Jimmy Greenhoff was at first a difficulty for United, and Hill had to make the most of the larger areas of space granted on the left wing. United sometimes broke through but the French were more creeden and warm among the control of the control of the left wing. precise and were worried only once in the first half an hour when Macari's cross was allowed to roll the width of the goalmouth but Pearson and Greenboff miscued. United persevered well, and after 33 minutes capitalized on the 33 minutes capitalized on the erratic St Etienne Yngoslav international goalkeeper, Curkovic.

Coppell, who had unsettled Liverpool on Saturday, suddenly came into the game out on the right side. He turned a centre into the goalmouth before the French could retreat. Piazza managed to the goalmouth before the French could retreat. Plazza managed to reach the ball, was unable to deflect it away sufficiently and Curkovic's interception was too late. Pearson was further on and pushed the ball in. It was Pearson's last effective contribution because five minutes later his hamstring injury was aggravated and McGrath took his place.

Much as Barbenay's maryellously



The one about the Irishman, the Belgian and the Scotsman: McIlroy (No 4) and Buchan

unhappy and United moved into the second half more confidently. His and Coppell, now supported by McGrath, used the wings brightly, causing the St Etienne defence to be stretched and leave ing Piazza and Lopez responsible

It was Coppell's intelligent play that finally took United beyond St Etienne's reach after 65 minutes. A splendid long pass out o fishe United half by Albison was taken into Coppell's stride.

There were retreating defenders ahead as Coppell approached the penalty area. He checked, looked to see if any United colleagues were better placed and then decided to go alone, making a square yard of space and hitting a firm shor past Curkovic at the near

Rocheteau's influence on the right touchline was St Etienne's last hope, but Albiston watched him closely and the danger to United dwindled as the former

to Liverpool last season, to Bayern
Munich in the European Cup final
in Scotland last year, and now
to United. They will want to
avoid becoming visitors to Britain
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Mitchester United: A. Stepney:
J. Nicholl, A. Abbison, S. McIntoy, B.
Greenhoff, M. Buchan, S. Coppell,
J. Greenhoff, S. Pearson (sub. C.
McGrath), L. Macai, O. Hill.
ST. ETIENNE: Y. Curkovic; C.
Janvion, G. Farison, O. Plazza, C.
Lopez, D. Batvensy, D. Rocheteau,
J. Sanlind, P. Revelli, C. Synachel,
C. Sarramagna.
Referee: F. Rion (Beiglum).

## Leicester end a gloomy run without lifting the gloom

Leicester City 0 of five consecutive league defeats, but there was nothing to suggest in this smothering, goalless mess that even the return of their missthat even the return of their miss-ing men will lift the gloom of Fil-bert Street. There was no pattern, no punch. As for Chelsea, their inability to improvise or change gear played straight into the hands of their former stalwart, David Webb, now at the heart of the

it was 15 minutes before Chel-ea bothered Wallington in the eicester goal. He touched Droy's Lencester goal. he southed broys speculative lob over the bar, and Stanley headed the corner a yard too high. What creative touches tithere were came chiefly from Chelsea's captain, Ray Wilkins, but, for all the willing flank running of Swain and Britton, not areal chance was created in the

enalty area. Chelsea's best first-half\_efforts rere too long shots by Britton, nd, when the diminutive Chelsea nd, when the diminutive Chelsea nidfield man broke from half-vay, Swain's final 25-yard sho-vas well saved. Just before halftime Swain's clever reverse turn took him round Kember to the y-line, but it was typical of a light of frustration that his cross ras straight at the goalkeeper. Chelsea renewed their husiasm after the break, but continued to run themselves straight into Leicester's defensive

All dividends are

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Otherwise, a looping header from Wicks and the best shot of the match—a 30 yard drive from Stanley that skimmed the bar were their total output. In statistical terms, it added up to six on-target shots and two corners in

the entire match.

Ironically, Leicester could easily have stolen a victory they never deserved late in the game. Alderson, who produced five of their seven scoring efforts, took a touch on from Waddle, beat Harris to the burn and forced a a touch on from Wandle, near Harris to the turn and forced a good save from Phillips. And then Kember met Armstrong's cross on the volley, and again had Phillips stretching.

The only other moments of note to the sacond half which never

in the second half which never exceeded the mediocrity of the first, were the departure of Leicester's full back, Rofe, with a nasty cut on the head, and Lewington's booking for dissent.

Lewington's booking for dissent. It was a booking born of frustration—and there was plenty of that off the pitch, too.

CHELSEA: J. Philips: R. Harris, G. Wikins, I. Birston, S. Wicks, M. Droy, R. Swain, R. Wilkins, T. Langley, R. Lewington, G. Stanley,
LENCESTER CITY: M. Wallington: S. Waltworth, D. Rofe 180b, D. Nay), S. Kembert, D. Webb, T. Williams, L. Robertson, J. Sammels, A. Waddle, B. Alderson, G. Armstrong,
Referre: A. Robinson (Portsmouth).

Nottingham Expect mode a model. Nottingham Forest made a good investment of £45,000 13 months

ago when they signed Peter Withe from Birmingham City. His 16 goals last season helped Forest to win promotion from the second division and his fine start this season—10 goals from nine games—has taken them to the top of

forty-minth minute when Lewing-ton's first-time shot from the edge of the box took a deflection and stretched Wallington to the limit.

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### Leeds storm back after sługgish start

Leeds 1 Aston Vilia Leeds 1 Aston Villa 1
Leeds, unbeaten since the season's opening day, surrendered
a home point after being outplayed in the first half. Villa were the better side then and a defen-sive mix-up allowed Andy Gray, their Scottish international striker, the thirty-fourth minute. Leeds were a different side after

Leeds were a different side after the break, repeatedly storming the Villa goal. Lorimer went close with three efforts and in the sixtieth minute Eddie Gray crossed and McQueen rose to head in.

Leeds had claims for a penalty brushed aside when Jordan went down in the box in the sventieth minute and McNaught, a resolute minute and McNaught, a resolute figure in the Villa defence, kicked off the line a shot from Currie five minutes from the end. In the last minute Hankin missed an ex-

Fulham, fighting for survival, have offered their fans a "never-never" ticket deal for the rest of the season in an effort to raise much-needed cash. The plan is designed to collect money at a faster rate instead of being spread over the season. Symposters can over the season. Supporters can buy a 521 terrace ticket for the season in three instalments—and the same applies to the 530 and 550 terrace ticket for the season in three instalments—and the same applies to the 530 and £50 stand season tickets. Starting on Saturday, a £20 wing season ticket for the remainder of the season will be introduced. But the condition is—immediate payment. Fulham's secretary want the money now. We have 6,000 loyal supporters who will come along throughout the whole

## Keelan's last word keeps Newcastle at bottom

By Gerry Harrison
Norwich C 2

Goolkeeper Kevin Keelan
accepted the gift of a silver tray,
a wine decanter and six crystal
claret glasses before the start of
his 600th game for Norwich. Then,
within 10 minutes, he made a present of a goal to struggling Newcastle. Craig, whose left foot
weaved a few north-eastern
mysteries throughout the evening,
drave a shot from 35 yards with
the ontside of his boot. Keelan
claimed afterwards that he did not
see it as it curved into the hottom
certor. By Gerry Harrison

After such a prologue the main act less dramatic but equally enter-taining. Newcastle, with a miser-able record of seven consecutive

able record of seven consecutive loague defeats, without the injured Nuity. Cannell, Cassidy and Bird, pushed the ball around well and responded for a time to Craig's impiration.

But when you're down this game will kick you in the teeth—or in Kennedy's case, the knee and Caliachan's, the aride. The full-back struggled for the rest of the game and substitute Oats soon took over from Callachan.

Meanwhile Norwich, despite their own injury problems, made the most of the rub of the green to build on what has become their best ever start to a first division est ever start to a first division sc.son. Their play was thoughtful although without any sharpness of penetration. In the 22nd minute Neighbour appeared to push McCaffrey into conceding a corner.

greater confidence began to show through. Craig fired in the odd Newcastle shell on target but it was mostly Mahoney under fire.

# In the 66th minute Suggett broke free in midfield unmolested. Neighbour was given time on the right to put his cross on to the head of Reeves who accepted the croming systefally.

head of keeves who accepted the opening gratefully.

That was that except that keelan, whose night is should have been, had the last word or two. Newcastle rose again and list two saves from Barrowclough and Burns kept them cooted at the bottom of the table. Undoubtedly the acceptance of John Blackley. the acquisition of John Blackley from Hibernian for £100,000 yes-terday will strengthen their terday will strengthen their defence. Yet it is morale which is

John Blackley, a Scottish inter-national defender, has signed for Newcastle United for £100,000 from Hiberman. Richard Dinnis, the manager, completed the deal while his side were losing 2—1 at Norwich.

Dr Richards to play
Melbourne, Oct 5.—It now
seems certain that Dr Renee
Richards, will be allowed to play

in a number of tournaments on the in a mumber of tournaments on the Australian circuit this summer. The Australian Lawn Tennis Association yesterday heard a report from its president, Mr Brian Tobin, stating that the Women's Caddick and Walton spofit it for Tennis Association now had no playing.—Agence France Presse. objections towards Dr Richards playing.—Agence France-Presse.

# Ashurst is dismissed

Ashurst's dismissal followed last might's defeat at Preston which left them bottom of the third division and still seeking their first win of the season. Ken Knighton, the second team coach. a former Wednesday player, has been appointed careaker manager.

Eric England, the secretary said yesterday: "The broard of "tors wish to recommend to recommend to the season of the season in the second team coach. The second team coach are appointed careaker manager.

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Sheffield Wednesday have dis- gretted that success was not his IOSS TOT

for Saturday's visit to West Bromwich Albion. Two years ago Talbot broke the same leg in a League Cup tie at Leeds.

# Arsenal show last season

Although their gates receipts showed an increase of £173,937 last season, Arsenal had a loss of £154,889. Total expenditure for the year increased by £346,443 totalling £1,080,831, of which £220,936 related to transfer fees. Also, mainly because of the Safety of Sports Ground Act, ground maintenance expenses showed a marked increase. They totalled £194,397 on increase of £50,000 on the previous year.

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UNGER-21 INTERNATIONAL: Swit-

### Last night's results and scorers Scottish League Cup European Cup Winners' Cup

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Olympic Games

**Delegation from** Los Angeles to meet ISF

Los Angeles, Oct 5.—A delega-tion of three men flew to Monaco yesterday to discuss with the International Sports Federa-tion the bid by the City of Los Angeles to host the 1984 Summer Olympics. Anton Calleia, chief administra-

Amon Calleia, chief administrative aid to Los Angeles, Mayor Tom Bradley, James F. Hardy, general manager of the Los Angeles Coliseum, and Thomas K. Shields, assistant city administrative officer, will spend a week altending meetings with the federation. John R. McEken of the private Southern California committee for the Olympic Games will join the group in Monaco.

The City Council appropriated will join the group in Monaco.

The City Council appropriated \$7,999 to send the three city delegates. Los Angeles was selected last month by the United States Olympic Committee to become the site for the Olympics. The International Olympic Committee will make the final choice in Atheos in May. There are no other prospective hosts so far, but October 31 is the deadline for any others.

Modern pentathlon

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# Glenesk's fine swim lifts **United States' position**

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San Antonio, Texas, Oct 5.—The United States jumped from seventh to fourth place in the team standings of the 1977 world modern peutathlon championships here when Neil Glenesk of San Francisco won the swimming event.

Clenesk was the 300-metre event to fourth place in the team standpentathion championships here when Neil Glenesk of San Francisco won the swimming event.
Glenesk won the 300 metre event
in three minutes 16.50 seconds,
more than three seconds ahead of
his closest rival, Poland's Zbignew
Pacelt.

points and the United States team score jumped to 11,997 points, 219 behind Hungary who were third. Poland, senior team leader going into yesterday's fourth day of the championships, stayed on top with 12,585 points. The Soviet Union is second with 12,293 points. Poland's Janusz Peciak led the senior individual standing despitu a sixteenth place in swimming. Peciak has 4,243 points, just eight ahead of Italy's Daniele Masala.

Masala overtook Pavel Ledney of the Soviet Union who slipped

Sweden's George Horvath took over the individual junior league with 4,206 points. Russia's Vasili Nefodov is second STANDINGS: Senior division frame: Pointd, 12,585 pts: Servict Union, 12,103; Hungary 12,216; United States, 11,957; Sweden, 11,773; Gechostovatia, 11,802, British piacing, thath. Junior division tomas: Seviet Union, 12,502 pts: Sweden, 11,252; Unived States, 11,916; West Germany, 11,865; Span, 11,762; Hungary, 11,555.

Horse of the Year Show

# Miss Bradley breaks all records in week's most coveted event

Bond championship for the leading showjumper of the year at the Rouse of the Year Show at Wem-Horse of the Year Show at Wembley lest night. She won on John Harding's Dusch-bred stallion, Martus, shared second place on Ludy Luchcase's Beroa, with William Barker on Las Vegas, and for overflowing measure finished fourth on. Tigge-breaking all established records in the event which all reders want most to win this week.

Marius is a remarkable anima Marius is a remarkable entined, for the stands at stud for three mouths in the year, and then competes in the ring at world level for the other nine. It would be a dissater for him were he ever, as may be possible, relegated solely to being a serving stadion when he accepts his two lives so well. Each year he goes to stud from the end of March until the week before the Royal International. before the Royal International.
This year he then jumped a clear round in the Prince of Wales Cup at Hickshead for the British team, and was second for the Queen

Elizabeth Cop three days later, Had he not run out of speam he was not fully fit he Harvey Smith achieved a double

hy winning the Buttings Top Score on Gratiti with 1,050 points, from Tim Grubb on First Time with 780. Earlier, George Myberg, one of the leading lights in South Africa, won the Dick Turpin Stakes on Smith's Marshall. In a two-horse jump-off Myberg and Marshall achieved darsnatt. In a two-torse pump-off Myberg and Marshall achieved the only clear round to beat Mal-colm Pyrah on Yorkshire Relish, who had one refusal. Michael Whitaker and Capput-cino retained the Whitbread Young

Riders' champiouship for the second successive year. Five went clear, and Whitnker, who won two of the three main competitions at or me mree main competitions at the Everest Double Glazing Show last week on Brother Scot, de-feated the four other finalists to win by half a second. Neither Robert Smith, who pounded a dis-tinguished field to win the other chief event last week on Royal Rufus, nor his brother Stephen, qualified for the jump-off, finish-

for Jack Cittins to be held

Rugby Union

# Lean spell ended in lively game

By Gordon Allan East Midlands 13 Leicestershire East Midlands, who finished bottom of the Midlands division bottom of the Midlands division in the county rugby championship last season, beat Leicestershire, who fitnished second from the bottom, by a goal, a penalty goal and a try at Northampton last right. It was East Midlands first championship victory since 1974—a sequence that involved 12 consecutive defeats. secutive defeats. The Midiands division has been

secutive defeats.

The Midlands division has been divided into two sections this season, East and West, with a play-off on November 9. This match was in the east section, which looks the weaker—an impression reinforced by much of what we saw last night. It was lively enough but disjointed.

After Carer had missed quite an easy penalty, East Midlands took the lead in five induces a set scrummage on the halfway line and Mackaness kicked deep into the Leicestershire were penalized at a set scrummage on the halfway line and Mackaness kicked deep into the Leicestershire 22. The ball bounced the wrong way for the defence and McGuckian gathered it to score between the posts. Carter converted.

Carter missed another penalty just before half time. It was even easier than the first, Leicestershire had two or three good chances to score in this half, but bunching in the threequarters and sloppy passing let them down. McGuckian passing let them down. McGuckian

in the threequarters and sloppy passing let them down. McGuckian nearly scored again for East Midlands when Mackaness kicked towards Reeve, who had shown vulnerability under the high ball, but this time Leicestershire escand. Carter and Rose missed a penalty

carrier and Rose missed a penalty each early in the second half. Then the East Midlands forwards drove almost to the Leicestershire line, where they were awarded a penalty. George, taking over from Carter, kicked it, to put East Midlands 9—0 ahead. Parkes and Whitn tech the Butter the East them. Reeve made a long break into the East Midlands half but once again something went wrong. In the last 10 minutes East Midin the last 10 minutes East And-ladds put themselves out of harm's way with a try by Morgan in the corner. McGuckian was stopped, with difficulty, when the ball travelled along the line inside the Leicestershire 22, but Morgan was talled the confinite able to score in the confusion that followed. that followed.

EAST MIDLANDS: P. Carter (Northempton): P. Bignell (Northampton). C. Morgan (Northampton). N. Cook (Bedford Police): P. McCinckian (Northampton). I. George (Rossiyanpton). C. Mackanest (Northampton). M. Howe Fastiral. N. For Northampton). M. Howe Fastiral. R. McCinckian (Stockwood Cartaia). G. Poole Medianopton. A. Whitehouse (Bedford). S. Russiya (Northampton). H. Batters

Whilehouse (Bedford) S. Russell (Northampton) H. Batters (Kotterhon) LEIGESTERSHIFE: M. Rose (Leigester); N. Rosen (Hinckley), J. Tolley (Wesdesph. R. McKichael (Leigester), D. Caddick (Wesdesh. M. Green (Westlesh), J. White (Leigester), R. Gedforn (Leigester), S. Rodern (Leigester), N. Joyco (Leigester), S. Barker (Westlesh), C. Walton (Rinckley), S. S. Johnson (Leigester) Lecister). Referes: M. Commun (Northumber

### Blackheath wing runs in three tries for Kent

Kent 28 Hampshire 13.
Christopher Kibble, the Blackheath wing, scored three tries on his home ground to give Kent a convincing county championship victory over Hampshire yesterday. Kent had to endure a spell of intense pressure midway through the first half, but recovered and finally won by a goal, four tries and two penalties to a goal, a try and a penalty.

Hampshire's two second half tries by Hutchinson, a new cap, and Jenkins, were due mainly to ineffective covering by the home backs.

therecave covering by the home backs.

The visitors took the lead when their scrum half, Edwards, landed a 40-yard penalty after five minutes. Williams levelled matters with a 25-yard kick on the half-hour to half Venezur of a chiefhour to belp Kent out of a sticky patch and Kibble crossed for the first of his tries seven minutes

first of his tries seven minutes before the interval.

Kent took command in the second period. A try by Kibble converted by Williamson, put them 13—3 in front. The visitors rabiled briefly when Hutchinson weaved through some slack tackling to cross the line and Edwards converted.

Cooke and Kibble added further converted.

Cooke and Kibble added further tries and, though Jenkins reduced the arrears with a try, Kent had the final word. Williamson landed a 25-yard penalty to stretch their lead to 24-13 and in the dying seconds Wolstenholme, the Kent hooker, want over for the cramping. hooker, went over for the county's

# Eagles have their wings clipped by Coventry

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By Peter West
Ruggy Correspondent
Coventry 33

US XV 6

The story at Coundon Road last night basically was a simple one: the longer a hard, wholesome and thoroughly enjoyable game lasted, the more the nome forwards comprehensively called the tune in the set pieces and loose, especially in the mauls. For half an hour it just looked possible that the Eagles might successfully fasten their talons into some notable prey. But is is taxing; and frustrating to play rugby football without some supply of good possession, and in the end Coventry, with Preece and Evans looking sharp on the wing and at centre, were not flattered to win by two goals, two dropped goals, a penalty goal, and time tries to two penalty goals.

goals.

The home side began smartly, a sparkling open side break by Lander behind one maul establishing another from which Aitchison's drop shot just crept over the bar. Rossborough then pulled a penalty attempt and for 10 minutes it was all Coventry, with the spirited Eagles defence kept at full stretch. Then three shrews kicks into the breeze by Kelson and one by Gray, gave the Eagles poise and position whereupon the scrum half kicked a confident penalty for a lineout offence on the Inc. The American defence again

The American herence again was in trouble when a mypedo switch pass went astray, and a dribble through by Evans set up a Coventry scruminge in the apposing 25. From that, Altchison's second drop went wide, but kelso was bang on target with another lineout penalty in out another lineout penalty to put the Eagles ahead in the second

assuming they should win any useful ball—to exploit the torpeto pass or show with safety in needed heroic defence by Kelmy and Liscovitz, close to the American line, to stop Ewans from a scissors, but it did not save them. Airchison had ample time to drop his second goal behind a controlled scrummage heef. There enother penalty from the same boot made it 15—6.

Now Coventry hubbed in their boot made it 15—6.

Now Coventry hubbed in their did tries. Malsey's high kick was missed by Haley in the Eagler 25 and the Coventry forwards, so of Broderick, Weston and Darmell, and the coventry forwards, so of heart monther of their number, and hereal manding of their number, and hereal made fife second for Evans, he and then, after the stand-off had missed another with a pass given last too early to Preece and after the fixed-off had missed another with a pass given last too early to Preece, and after the fixed-off had another with a pass given last too early to Preece, and after the fixed off had missed another with a pass given last too early to Preece, and after a preece himself had almost scored and Airchison gave Maisey thance to confound his opponents. chance to confound his opponents, with a sidestep inside to the lina.

A lirecracking thrust his lander, supported by Aitchison, sent in Broderick, much to locally joy, for the last score. Aitchison, converted and, at the end, the crowd gave both sides a warm and deserved ownton.

the Eagles ahead in the second quarter.
Shortly before the interval, after Rossborough had foozled a penalty, Coventry at last capitalized on all their possession with a fine try. A long, arcing run by Preece, infield from the left wing, was the prelude to a manifrom which Aitchison provided a clever scoring pass for Maisey to

# Jorden's accurate kicking brings Counties victory

Eastern Counties 31 Surrey 8

The former England full back,
Tony Jorden, who led Eastern
Commities to an easy victory over.
Surrey in their county rugby
champiouship match at Fairlop
yesterday was responsible for 20
of his side's 31 points. He kicked
six penalty goals and a conversion
as Eastern Counties gradually
gained control of the match after
leading 9—0 at half-time.
The margin was rather true! to The margin was rather cruel to Surrey who enjoyed a territorial advantage in the first half, mainly

advantage in the trist hair, mainly through a stronger effort and attack. But, as Jorden's kicks flew monotonously between the posts, the gap widened and Surrey spirits waned. Jorden was the dominating figure in the game but not far behind him was that most efficient half-back, Page, whose tactical kicking for touch and into gaps beloed his forwards gain dominance in the second spell. Rastern Counties forwards took

Rastern Counties forwards took time to settle but Page, realising that the wet ball was difficult to handle, kept plugging it downfield with telling punts. Only in the dying stages did the winnerschance their arm through the back line. In contrast Surrey attempted

in finesse and handling skills.

Neil Mantell, who is expected to take over Roger Uniter's role as Rugland's number eight this take over Roger Uniter's role as Rugland's number eight this take over Roger Uniter's role as Rugland's number eight this take over Roger Uniter Ray of the loast tight duties for Surrey, but his opposite a tight lacked a little pace in the loast plays for an England XV against the United States Eagles in 10 Mansrow staked a try in each half by Derek Wyatt and Philip Keith-Roach, with a Anor R. Page adding a dropped goal to a fraction and Philip Keith-Roach, with a Anor R. Page adding a dropped goal to a fraction and Rechamble Co. J. Baltward (Bedioval). I Visiter (Bedford). S. O. Demania via a Government of the Contain Contain Contain the Contain Cont

# Berkshire escape with penalty in injury time Dorset and Wilts 12 Berkshire 12 Forwards dominated in slippery Forwards at Bournemouth where M. Jones (London Weish), L. Grande (Maldonhead), C. Nooler (Bodford) P. Simmons (Newbray), G. Grande Referret: G. E. Jones (Somerset).

Porset and Wilts 12 Berkshire 12
Forwards dominated in slippery conditions at Bournemouth where an injury time penalty kick saved Berkshire from defeat by Dorset and Wilts. The latter took the lead after 10 minutes, when James landed a penalty for offside but, within two minutes, the twin counties were in trouble with two players injured. King was badly cut on the head and Ford went off with rib injuries, being replaced by J. Gray (Bournemouth).

Berkshire took the lead after half an hour when after a lineout Todd cut in for a fine try, which Arnold converted. Five minutes later Arnold added a penalty, for obstruction, giving Berkshire at 9—3 interval lead. Five minutes after the break Dorset and Wilts levelled when a clearance kick was charged down by Button, who charged down by Button, who took the ball in the stometh but managed to hold it and drive through to score. James converted.

James put Dorset and Wilst ahead after 50 minutes with ahead after 50 minutes with another penalty and although Berkshire were held in middleid another penalty in middleid another penalty mad although Berkshire were held in middleid and in justy time they managed to equalize when Arnold scored a second penalty, given for handling in a ruck and talking, which the referrer penaltzed with a 10-metre forward award.

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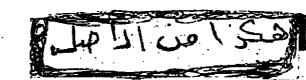
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Hertfordshire 16 Susset Susset, Susset, with only one win in the county championship in the list four years, made Hertfordshire work hard for their victory 48 Croxicy Green Looking much hester than for several seasons, they had the better of the first half and only an interception by Phillips, the full back, stopped at certain Susset try.

Hertfordshire, presurfied into funniting mistakes by the first time Susset tacking, got on too in the second half, but even then it was injury time before tiey managed to cross their opponents. Sussex lets 6—5 or my more way through two peneltiet by Whit-more, the stand-off, to one by Phillips. The Hertfordshire full back kicked two more simple Penelting.

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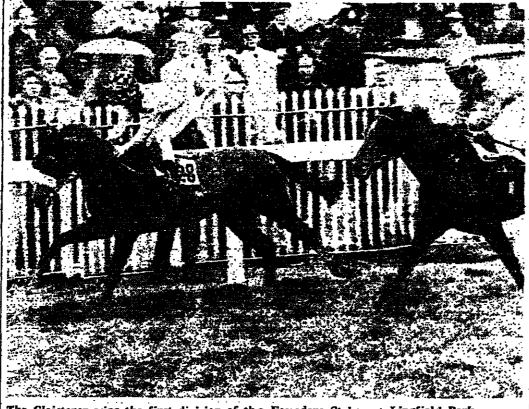
y with Padro and Rille Brigade in that he was convinced that on Sammy was a good horse in e making.

Moon Sammy beat Vincent Brieff's useful cost, Kolymsky, the only occasion that he has en seen in public. Since then obysicly has fanished fourth to he de Combe. Cherry Hinton of Romidable in the Convival akes at York, which suggests that he conductor at Newmarket canapt he far behind the best of his to Moon Sammy is out of a suggests of that time race mare, hadness, and he is one of the elst crop of that time race mare, hadness, and he is one of the sets crop of that tough and vertice horse, and was a good advertiselest field for his young sire.

Milisteral, who won his first hid only race so comfortably at a codewood, is else by a stallon as hose first crop are running this issue. His sire is Morston, who he possible to gauge Moon

Schmy's abuny it is attached to know what to make of Whitened, who clearly took his connexions by surprise when he won last month. Ryan Price's first jockey, by Surprise when he won lass mouth, Ryan Price's first jockey, Rian Taylor, was on another horse in the race and Whitstead was ridden by Terry Rosers and see to be by far the most seem of the particled may be placen first, second, third a pattern race, and postern first second, third a pattern race, and postern first, second, third a pattern race, and postern first second, third a pattern race, and principle of Maison Laffitte Whitstead will be radden by Rosers against this afternoon. A greater danger to Moon Sammy on this occasion could easily be Double form and less won and subsequently his postern, who will be radden by Lester Piggett. I took a great liking to Double Form when I saw him run at Ascot worked out particularly well in the meantime, but I am still convinced that Pouble Form is a name to be ar in mind. Today this good leoking cut by Hubitat will be receiving 111b from Moon Sammy wash Padro and Rille Brigade

catch the eye in quite the same way that Double Form did at Ascot. Against that backcloth it will be tore than mildly surprising if the Adrianstan can manage to eat Moon Sammy whose trainer peat Moon Sammy whose trainer and jockey may also take the Burstow Handicap with Market Queen, Having beaten Princess Eboli, Alexandra and Honey Bridge at Doncaster, Malabee ought to be good enough to win the Plaxtol Stakes at the expense of Oscilight.



# French visit for Sporting Yankee

Sporting Yankee, the colt who won the William Hill Futurity at Doncaster last automo, is likely to be sent to France later this month be sent to France later this month to try to win the Prix Royal Oak, the French equivalent of our St. Leger, which will be run at Longchamp on October 30. Sporting. Yankee's trainer, Peter Walwyn, said as much at Lingfield Park yesterday after he had just seen Saros, another of his good three-year-olds, winning the Cruydon Stakes.

By winning the March Stakes in August at Goodwood, Sporting Yankee proved that he not only stays a mile and three quarters without flinching, but also handles stave a mile and three quarters without flinching, but also handles very soft ground which he could

ALSO RAN: 100-30 Hugo DI Tours,
4-1 Firante (48th, 14-1 Lillian Clare
(68th), 25-1 Hyden Hill, Kingsfulo
Lad, 35-1 Lobster Bisque, Connecticul,
Patino: Delamere, Simbirst, Broton's
Stater, Seriet Emporar, United Effort,
Von Meeteren, 17 ran,
TUTE: Win, 55p; pages, 25p, 20p,
16p; dual forecast, £1.17, P. Cole, at
Lambourn, 51, 3'gl. 1min 3J.46sec.

TOTE DOUBLE: Sovereign's Escort and Never So Lovely, 263,20. TREBLE: The Closterer. Sures and Aberader. E28,90. JACKPOT: £1,902.60.

2.45: 1, Charry Lad (3-1). Finished done. Saran Slave 2-7.

5.55: 1. Count Kinure (15-8 fav): 2. Golden Soi (5-1): 5. Old Chad (3-1). 4 ran.

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easily find at Longohamp so late in the autumn. If Sporting Yankee waits for the Prix Royal Oak, the way will then be open for Saros to run in the St Simon Considered once to be a classo Considered once to be a classic prospect, Saros may not have quite managed to measure up to expectations this season, but he is still a good racehorse on his day, as he showed yesterday when he gave Balteus 5 lb and a two-length beating. Saros was Waiwyn's 87th beating. Saros was Waiwyn's 87th beating. Saros was Waiwyn's 87th beating. Saros was Maiwyn's 87th beating. Saros was Maiwyn's 87th beating. Saros was Waiwyn's 87th beating 10 the saros of the saros was waiwyn's 87th beating. Saros was waiwyn's 87th beating 10 the saros was wall was waiwyn's 87th beating 10 the saros was wall was wal After Heir Presumptive had wou the second division of the

Fulke Johnson Houghton, told me that he was still toying with the idea of running the Derby runner-up, Hot Grove, in the St Simon Stakes, too.

The third and final division of the Ederbridge Stakes was well by the Edentridge Stakes was won by So Proper, but after Lester Piggott, the rider of the runner-up Water Ballet, had objected to the winner, the result was aftered. After watching the film of the race the stewards saw only too clearly that So Proper had interfered with not only Water Ballet but Acolyte too. In the circumstances they had no option but to disqualify So Proper and relegate him to fourth place Thus Water Ballet became Johnson

## Way is clear for Smoggy in La Coupe

From Desmond Stoneham French Racing Correspondent Paris, Oct 5

Smoggy looks well enough weighted to take La Coupe at Maisons Laffitte tomorrow. The colt's main adversary may be Gairloch, who Captain Ryan Price sends from England. Third place may well be fought out by Dona Barod and Jalata.

Alec Head has only raced Smorgy five times this season and the only time the son of Run the Cauntiet has been our of the frame was in the one mile Prix Messidor on this course in July, when he finished fifth to Malecite. Previously, Smoggy finished econd on three occasions to other at Evry. Solicitor was his con-queror by half a length. Olantengy beat him in the Prix la Force, and on May 11 Lightning beat Smoogy by six lengths in the Prix de la Jonchere at Longchamp. Gairloch, in receipt of 3lb, failed by only a head to catch Carwhite in the Prix du Prince d'Orange earlier this mouth. Carwhite was out of the first 10

behind Alleged in last Simday's Prix de l'Arc de Triomphe, but the colt had a rough passage. In the Prix de la Côte Normande at Deauville last month, Gairloch Deauville last month, Gairloch came with a storming run to defeat Solicitur (gave Sib) by three quarters of a length, so strictly on form Smoggy should have the beating of the English raider.

Jalata has not raced since fimishing third to Kamicia and Edinburgh in the Prix de la Nonette, but that line of form has not worked out well. Dona Barod ran badly behind Iron Duke in the Prix Gontaut-Biron at Deauville, but if this mare is back to her best she could be a danger

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# Gentilhombre could be sent to France again

Gentilhombre, the European champion sprinter, may make a return visit to France on October 23 for an attack on the Prix de la Foret, at Longchamp. Run over seven furlongs and open to every age group, the finish of this group one event was dominated last year by two two-year-olds, Pharly and Lady Mere. The alternative engagement for John Murrell's four-year-old is the Veraons sprint cup at Haydock Park on October 29.

Neil Adam, his trainer, feels that Gentilhombre, whose versa-tility has already been proved with victories in pattern races over five and six furlones, deserves the chance to show bimself—to be as chance to show himself—to be as equally effective at the distance over which he fluished third to Wollow in the Greenham Stakes last year. His stud value would be much increased if he were to win this event, but the final decision, of course, will remain with Mr. Murrell Mr Murrell.

Mr Murrell.

Adam reports that both Gentil-hombre and Haveroid, whose objective remains the Prix du Petit Couvert, are jumping out of Petit Convert, are jumping out of their skins after their triumphant return from Paris where they occupied first and third places in the Prix l'Abbaye. Edward Hide told the trainer that the William Hill Sprint Champiouship winner would have finished closer but for stumbling on leaving the stalls and there is every expectation that Haveroid can reverse Sunday's olacines with Madane in Paris on

Sad to relate the ecstatic Gallic reception which greeted "Lestaire" and Alleged was not accorded to Paul Cook and Gentito relate the ecstatic hombre after their decisive vic-tory in the l'Abbaye. Not a single French official offered his con-gratulations to Mr Murrell or his gratulations to Mr Murrell or his trainer. Perhaps they were still smarting from the stable's protest after that controversial dead-heat with Mendip Man in this event in 1976. However, Gentilhombre's last two victories have given con-clusive cridence that he is a far horse now than when better horse now than when awarded the July Cup on the dis-qualification of Marinsky. This afternoon at York Gentil-

ing chance of landing the Middle-ham nursery with their Chester winner, Tavrina. Like all these affairs, this is a competitive event.
Tavrina has shown consistent form since taking a maiden event at Ripon in May and appears reasonably treated. Henry Cccil's Youder He Goes, despite his failure behind Demetrius in a similar race at Newmarket last week, deserves consideration after his earlier vic-tories at Pontefract and Great Yar-

mouth.

The lightly weighted Ziggy, fourth to Demetrius in the same Newmarket race, must take a deal of beating carrying only 7st 5th. Pittencrief and Brother Sunshine are but a few of those with chances in a tightly-knit handicap, but Tayring remains the selection. but Tavrino remains the selection.
On a tricky card Crack of Light may represent the day's soundest wager in the Middlethorpe Stakes.
Mrs Stautope Joel's filly showed herself to be still on the upgrade when salining the fourth victors. when gaining her fourth victory of the season at Nottingham last week. Her win under 9st 31b that

week. Her win under 9st 3lb that afternoon reeds better than Rampage's narrow defeat of Mallard Song at Newmarket.

In the day's most valuable event, the £3,000 Chesterfield Handicap. I am taking a chance with the course winner, Doormat, who shows signs of returning to his useful early season form when narrowly defeated by Baildon at Goodwood. The persistent Pauglima recorded a fast time when caught close home by Coded Scrap at Ayr. The Goodwood and Dougaster scorer, Whenby, will find this five furlong more to his like this five furlong more to his lik-ing than the distance of the Ayr. Gold Cup, but I shall rely on Door-

mat.
Other selections at York are Sevillia in the Bramham Moot Maiden Stakes and Fear Naught in the Little-Go Handicap.

treble on Saturday. He sends After the Flag to Ascot for the Princess Royal Stakes; Pull the Latch to Nass for the Boltcatcher Stakes, and Padroug to Northern

# Francome comes quickly down to earth

John Francowe, fast and fault-as in a House of the Year impetition at Wembley on Mon-ly, returned to the serious siness for two rides at Caeltenaccept Kinure, making light of penalty, led from the seventh gain a third successive victory the Churchdown Handicap experiment by a comfortable 10 legis from Golden Sol. The penalty lost Bill Smith with a me, do mistake four fences from me,

a traction Kinure, a birthday present r Mrs. Joy Hobby from her hus-mind, joined Fred Winter last-fr. 1900. Winter said: "He's a bit a character. Something must ve bappened to thin in his image: He and he doesn't trust opie. He's very mercous and

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TOTE: Win: 21p: places, 12p, 13p, 69p; dual forecast, 55p, B. Candy at short did not run.

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Nailsworth Handicap Steeplechase.
Despite the rock-hard ground, Francome was immediately back on his feet unhurt. The race was won by Orillo, who led throughout, Richard Liniey keeping him going to score by three lengths from Browns Castle, whose jumping was sketchy when it mattered most. Orillo's trainer. Toty Baiding, has run live horses this season and won eight races.

The Dunce, one of the best horses to go through last season without a win, was never headed in the Tewkesbury Handicap Hurdle, holding off Striker by two and a half lengths at 5-4. "What a good price, I'm delighted!" Fulke Walwyn said. "He's a kinder horse now and could win a decent race, although the handicapper does not give him much chance."

Green-Fingered goos from strength to strength and made it four wins in a row with 4.0 (4.6) CATERHAM HANDICAP Derrylag Cit . G. Starkey (8-1) STARES (5-9-0: %1.037; b() ALSO RAN: 100-30 Hogo DI Tot STARES (3-y-0: \$1,037; b()

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3.0 CRESTERFIELD HANDICAP (£2,599 : 5f) 

# Lingfield Park programme

2.0 OXTED STAKES (3-y-o : £856 : 1m 1f) 033431 Mount Staphen, G. Harwood, N-2 00307 Pretty Crier, J. Balding, 9-2 00-3030 Chichestar Bird, R. Smyth, 8-11 00-3030 Creat Escape (8), G. Harwood, 8-12 00-03042 Loval Laive, J. S. Evans, 8-11 0-0 Valen Flash, A. Davison, 8-11 13-8 Great Escape, 5-1 Pretty Crier, 4-1 Little Cynthia. 8-1 Sono of Dixie. 10-1 Chichester Bird. 16-1 others. 2.30 PLAXTOL STAKES (2-y-o fillies: £899: 5f) 9-1 Mailabre, 11-1 Oscilight, 9-2 Rhein Symphony, 6 Carnival Fugue, 10-1 Tarquette, 12-1 Queens Royale, 20-3.0 BURSTOW HANDICAP (£1,276 : 14m)

3.30 BURR STAKES (2-y-o : £2.805 : 7f 140yd)

# 3:30 MIDDLETHORPE STAKES (3-y-o: £2,015: 12m) Rampage, H. Wrugg. 9-4 Christmas Time (C), W. Eisey. 9-0 Crack of Light, H. Cocil. 9-0 Mixed Melody. G. Richards, 8-11 4.0 BRAMBAM MOOR STAKES (2-y-o maidens: £1,741: 5f)

4.30 LITTLE-GO HANDICAP (£1,766 1m 1f) Romolo Augusto (D), L. Citmani, 5-9-8
Danish King, H. Creft, 3-4-4
Tiger Trail (C-B), N. Visors, 5-9-1
Partridge Brook, M. W. Easterby, 4-8-1
Cake Popper, Den; Smilh, 5-4-10
Silver Sirel (B.C-B), C. British, 4-8-9
Man of Harlech, J. Dunkp, 1-8-1
Foar Naught (D), J. Etherington, 3-8-1
Royal Legend (B.D), W. Firey, 7-7-13
The Scryeart, F. Cart, 5-7-7

York selections

By Our Racing Staff
2.0 Lunesdale. 2.30 Tavrina. 3.0 Doormat. 3.30 CRACK OF LIGHT is specially recommended. 4.0 Sevilla. 4.30 Fear Nought. By Our Newmarket Correspondent
2.0 Qualitair. 2.30 Lanzerac. 3.0 Panglima. 3.30 Crack of Light. 4.30 Romolo Augusto.

4.0 DRYHILL HANDICAP (£898: 1m 1f) 040022 Blyths Folly (C.), H. Pricc. 1-8-12
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0-80000 Pagas Boy (C.-D.), H. Harwood, 5-8-8
0-80000 Bermondo, C. Benstead, 6-7-7
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81vths Folly, 7-2 Fostival Hall, 6-1 Gleaning Wave, Brown 12-1 Soturnus, Pages Boy, 20-1 others.

4 30 ROOMS NEST HANDICAP (2-y-n : \$1,013 : 6f)

Lingfield Park selections

By Our Racing Correspondent 2.0 Pretty Crier. 2.30 MALABEE is specially recommended. 3.0 Market Queen. 3.30 Moon Sammy. 4.0 Blyth's Folly. 4.30 Glenjade. By Our Newmarket Correspondent 2.0 Little Cynthia. 2.30 To Glory. 3.0 Market Queen. 3.30 Moon Sammy. 4.0 Gleaming Wave. 4.30 Whitley Fiesta.

### Cheltenham NH 2.15 GOTHERINGTON HURDLE (Div I: Novices:

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Lady Carinya, 6-10-7 Mr Lawther 7, 3.20 CIRENCESTER CHASE

(Handicap: £1,363: 3m 1f) 112 Gummers How. 9-11-6 Borton 40-0 Kick On. 10-10-13 . . . . . Hyelt 0-21 Roman Hollday. 15-10-12 King 5-12 Steamer 9-10-9 . . . . . . . Jones 5-4 Roman Hollday. 7-4 Gummers How. 9-2 Steamer, 8-1 Kick On.

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P. Enter the Dragon, 4-11-0

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Sorbet, 10-1 Permissive Society, 20-1

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### Science report

# Genetics: Dispensing with fertilizers

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ctardum to another and are best molecule, messenger RNA. The
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make bacteria resistant to antibiotics. But they are not usually
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Recently, however, Professor
Mary-Dell Chilton and ber
colleagues at Washington University, Seattle discovered that the
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case of cancer-causing viruses
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trop plants that now requir by bacteria that live in their roots, causing no harm to the plants. If all crop plants had such bacteria there would be no need to supply the crops with so much of their nitrogen as fertilizers.

It has long been a dream of scientists that they would be able to provide plants with the means to make their own nitrates from to make their own nitrates from atmospheric nitrogen. One pos-

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[Judgment delivered September 7]

A foreign diplomat who is not accredited to the Court of St. James (and any member of his family forming part of his household) is immune from any criminal proceedings in England if he is returning from England to his post abroad, whether or not he is in England in transit between his own country and the country of his accreditation: and any member of his family accompanying him or travelling separately to join him has the same immunity. The purpose for which the diplomat is in England is irrelevant.

His Lordship, sitting in the Divi-His Lordship, sitting in the Divisional Court, held that Tim Colenzo Jarrett-Thorpe, the husband of a counsellor to the Sierra Leone Embassy in Rome, was immune from criminal jurisdiction when ma visit to Eresland.

> strates' Court from further pro-ceeding with the hearing of criminal proceedings against him. criminal processings against him.
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> Article 40 of the schedule to the Diplomatic Privileges Act, 1964, reads: "If a diplomatic agent passes through or is in the territory of a third state, which has granted him a passport visa if such visa was necessary, while proceeding to take up or return to this post, or when returning to his own country, the third state shall accord him inviolability and such other immunities as may be re-

diction when on a visit to England, and issued an order of prohibi-tion to restrain Guildhall Magi-

Immunity of diplomats when in transit

Law Report October 5 1977

Regina v Guildhall Magistrates'

Court, Ex parte Jarrett-Thorpe

[Judgment delivered September 7]

Before Mr Justice Lawson

to their country."
Mr Louis Blom-Cooper, QC, and Mr J. J. Limman for the appli-cant; Mr P. A. Corrigan for the City of London Police.

MR JUSTICE LAWSON said that the applicant was remanded at the Mansion House in February, 1976, on a charge of false accounting involving about £300. In April, 1976, he married his present wife, who was at the time first secretary at the Sierra Leone High Commission in London. Later that month she was transferred as counsellor to the Sierra Leone Embassy in Rome and her husband travelled with her. Both held diplomatic passports issued by Sierra Leone.

In August, 1977, Mrs Jarrett-Thorpe planned to visit England to buy furnishings for the chancery of the Rome embassy and to do some shopping. She obtained MR JUSTICE LAWSON said that

do some shopping. She obtained from the British Embassy in Rome passport visas dated August 11, 1977, for herself and her husband. It was not intended that her husband with her; he would join her there with her; he would join her there for the purpose of travelling back to Rome with her and assisting her with the luggage.

After four days in England she was recalled to Rome and left the day before her husband arrived, leaving a message for him with his mother that he should fly straight away to join her in Rome. The applicant arrived in England on August 19 and entered on his diplomatic passport bearing this diplomatic passport bearing the visa granted on August 11. He received his wife's message the next day, and after spending three days trying to get a flight to

when waiting on Angust 24.
When waiting in the departure lounge at Heathrow he was arrested by a plainclothes officer, who told him that there was a warrant out for his arrest.

On the following day he came before Guidhall magistrates. He claimed diplomatic immunity. The police disputed his claim and he was remanded in custody overnight. Next day the prosecuting solicitor submitted that he was not solicitor submitted that he was not entitled to diplomatic immunity because in so far as the provisions of the Diplomatic Privileges Act, 1964, might apply to his case they were limited to occasions when he might be in this country in transit between Sierra Leone and Italy. He was remanded in and Italy. He was remanded in custody for committal for trial on the charge of false accounting. Later he was granted ball by a High Court judge.

The question was whether at the The question was whether at the time of his arrest at the airport on August 24 the applicant was, as a member of Mrs Jarrett-Thorpe's family, emitted to diplomatic immunity. Generally speaking, the function of the 1964 Act was to confer immunity on diplomats and their families and servants, whether in relation to offiwants, whether in relation to offi-cial matters or (with certain ex-ceptions) non-official matters in the country to which they were accredited.

The matter, however, did not end there. It was perfectly plain on the simple language of Article 40 that the function of the Act was also to grant immunities to diplomats and those whose activi-ties were covered by similar immunities in third states—in a state which was not the receiving state

which the diplomat was It had been argued for the police that Article 40 only applied to diplomatic agents and members of their families when they were

Queen's Bench Division

in transit between the sending state and the receiving state and that it did not apply to them when they were merely visiting a third state for whatever purpose.
In his Lordship's judgment there was nothing in the article itself which entiled the court to take into consideration what the pur-pose of the diplomar's presence was in this country, or in passing through this country. The ques-tion was whether the diplomat was passing through, or was here, and whether at the material time he was proceeding to take up or return to his post, or was return-ing to his own country. Similarly, when one was dealing

with the members of the diplo-mat's family (subject to the pos-session of a passport visa, which it was clear from the evidence the applicant had), the conditions for him to enjoy immunity at the material time were either that he must be accompanying his wife or travelling separately in order to join her in her post. Obviously be was not accompanying his wife because she had returned to Rome four or five days before. It was perfectly plain on the evidence that at the material time—the time when he was arrested—he was travelling separately to join his. wife in her post. The applicant wife in her post. The applicant was therefore entitled to an order for prohibition.
Solicitors: Bernard Sheridan & Co; Comptroller and City Solici-

# Toundation is set up to preserve Britain's megaliths

Annabel Ferriman

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British fashion has been making a big push in Paris recently. There has been a promotion at An Printemps

to biscuits. and the opening of another Celtic haven, a Scotch House in Rue de Passy.

> Below: Lady Annunciata Asquith modelling the new Burberry look



Above: Customer and collection at Burberry in Paris Right: Sir Leonard Wolfson, Managing Director of Great Universal Stores, at the opening of the new Scotch House Far right: Lady Henderson, wife of the British Ambassador





## **Tres** encouraging for les autres

I must confess that when I first heard outlined the plans for the special British promotion in Au Printemps, my heart sank. Set to run in the main Boulevard sank. Set to rum in the main Boulevard Haussman store and six stores in the Parisian suburbs until October 17, the whole thing seemed likely to exemplify all that ersatz nostalgia, lip service to tradition, tourist-touting, backward-looking attitude that makes one despair of Britain as having any future above and beyond that of a larger Luxembourg. Red buses, bagpipers (was there a Beefester tucked away somewhere?) tins of biscuits decorated with the Queen's head (the tins, not the biscuit, I mean), traditional china. British Leyland cars, baggy Shetland knitwear, drab kiddies' chothes (the clothes, not the kiddies). My spirits reached their nadir when the altogether delightful man in charge of the Au Printemps promotion amounced, in his

Ally spirits reached their nadir when the altogether delightful man in charge of the Au Printemps promotion amnounced, in his Maurice Chevalier accent, that one of the reasons why the store chain—one of the largest in France—was mounting the three weeks' exhibition was "because fashion has come back to the British style". That made me feel like a stopp'd clock.

I stail never be able to think that it is enough for British designers to be right only once in every metaphorical and fashionable 12 hours. After all, as Lord Baker pointed out in a letter to The Times on Tuesday this week, "engineers and others, by their designs or inventions create wealth in the form of new firms or industries which provide employment for those who would otherwise lack work, goods for export which help to pay for some of our food. . . . Unfortunately the designer, in spite of the immense effort involved in successful innovation, often does not make money for himself. In other cases he makes a great deal—and so he should." For he creater recally which never the property who creater are the property which he creater property which provides and so he can be successful which when the provides and so he can be a created and so he can be successful which when the provides are provided and so he can be successful which are the provides and so he can be successful which are the provides and so he can be successful which are the provides and so he can be successful which are the provides and so he can be successful which are the provides and so he can be successful which are the provides and so he can be successful which are the provides and so he can be successful which are the provides and so he can be successful which are the provides and so he can be successful which are the provides and so he can be successful which are the provides and so he can be successful and so he ca cases he makes a great deal—and so he should." For he creates wealth which pays for the welfare state and higher employ-

And so, I tend to push for novelty, not tradition. But there is a place for every-thing in trade as in life. Au Printemps is a charming, popularly priced store which is the perfect venue for the promotion of the expected as opposed to the avant garde. I mean no disrespect in this. Selling the merchandese is what counts at the end of the day, and it is as easy to be too far in front of your customers as it is to be behind—easier, probably. The Au Printenns show has been a great success. with a handsome young man dressed up as Johnny Walker dispensing mas, Fort-num and Mason biscuits, Mary Quant fashion. An Printemps is amazing: on one counter is a ritry promotion for Charlie cosmetics, while panned on a neo-Grecian column nearly is a majorate poster inch. column neerby is a poignant poster invit-ing people to adopt a stray cat or dog. In the British section, firm favourites such

as Gloverall, British Airways, Meridian, Harlee, Liberty, Pringle, John Laing, Beatrix Potter, repro-Staffordshire dogs, and some really very pretty bits of entique furniture, at sub-exorbitant prices, jostle each other.

They are selling. The British Overseas Trade Board section responsible pro-nounces itself to be very pleased, so it all goes to show that Au Printemps know their business.

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In any case, those who feel that the British effort should be represented by something more innovative will have their chance, in fashion anyway, when, in early November. (TV transmission a week later) our ambassador in Paris allows me to use his house to show what I consider our most important mend-setters. John Bates, Bill Gibb, Jean Muir, Yuki, Jean and Martin Pallant, Zandra Rhodes, Thea Porter and Gina Fraini may be names which most women would automatically discard as out of their price range. Nevertheless, they are the designers who, in Lord Baker's terms, "by their designs or inventions create wealth in the form of etc.". If only they made more money for themselves. But at least being shown in Paris, being recorded on televasion by Yorkshire TV will put, I hope, some of the innovatory credit where it is due. I have been nagging and whining to use the Paris embassy to show what I call fushion ever since we went into the EEC, so reone need think that our admirable and extremely sympathetic ambassador has been correed by the Think Tank's report on the role of embassies.

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If one wanted to be devolutionary one ought to argue that the swing towards British fashion which is implicit in the vogue for tweed jackets, kilted skirts, woolly socks, boots, caps, etc., in short the grousemoor image, which is high fashion for autumn, 1977, really favours the Scots. The French are frankly manic about tartan: kilts, socks and cashmere, with or without pearls. Forsaking Debussy for the bagpipes, they sit unmoved through the shrieks and wails of the Scottish ultimate deterrent ("Yes", said one concise listener, "I do like them, but only a very long way-two or three glens, yknow-away") and stay on to buy and

by:

Why? Why should the Scotch House have opened another store in Paris, in Rue de Passy, which brings its total to eight? Why does Burberry, with its inherent plaid image, sell so well—the biggest exporter of high quality menswer from this country, helping to push the figures for its parent company, GUS, to \$1,050m turnover for last year and profits of \$112m? I think it is because Scotch House and Burberry spell out just the

sort of confidence and quality which

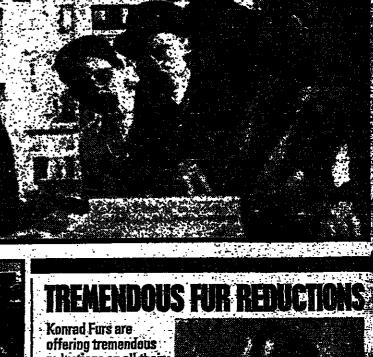
sort of confidence and quality which women are looking for just now. The whole design world is a-hum, it seems. First, I have resolved how to spell Lucile by being sent letters from women who worked for the house, and now, the most ravishing programme for a show for spring, 1919, confided to me by one of the mannequins, Jayne Cole. Mrs Cole, who shared the honours with Melisande, Claire, Hilered, Denisard, Gay Bonita, Phylis, Ruth and "two whose names I don't remember" was depuned to wear No 32, "Virgin's Prayer" White Indestructible Voile Afternoon Gown; "Atta Boy", a Blue Serge One Piece Dress; "I'll do the Same". Grey Striped Toffeta Frock, which followed a number called "Do what your Mother Did" among others.

The sensational book about Russian fashion from Collet's in Charing Cross Road has now been translated by Liverpool Polytechnic under the guidance of indomitable Charles Metcalfe, so we can now understand as well as admire From the History of Soviet Costume, by Tatyana Stripheney translated by Capters Turner

now understand as well as admire From the History of Soviet Costume, by Tatyana Strizhenova, translated by Geoffrey Turner. I have been making curtains (no, the old ones never fix) on a machine lent by Singer. It is their basic model and I wish I found it as well designed as my 30-year-old number. One, I find the threading hard; two, you have to pass the thread straight back against a shiny silver pillar, rather than good old sideways; and third, when I reverse I need not two but preferably three hands, and on my machine as ably three hands, and on my machine as: far as I can see I have to hold in the reverse button rather than just flicking a lever. McCalls, coping perhaps with people reduced to one hand, have produced a set of patterns called "Show Me" which cut out buying any other booklet. Priced at 75p, the eight basics look good style and value to me.

Congratulations to the John Lewis Partnership for sponsoring something right in their main line-students for right in their main line—students for furnishing fabrics. Every time I shop elsewhere I regret it, frustrating though the Partnership can be. But their ideas on design are superb, their marriage of taste to price just what I think good design is all about. They have given the RSA a special jubilee award scheme for printed furnishing fabrics valued at £1,500. My only grouse: not enough travel abroad for the winner. Light, colour, tactile sense... you can always come back to your home land, and probably you should, for inspiration, but a great deal of inspiration is information. How can you know what to regard or discard unless you have seen it? The RSA also has a travel grant for working designers (close to my heart) in the textile industry. The Worshipful Company of Weavers will give \$500 in a travelling bursary.





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# Masters of the arts of licensing

here must be a thousand cliches and myths con-eraing the French and fashion, and most of them ing true. While the British contribution to style, in instorical terms anyway, can be confined to the wel-ington boot, the ragian sleeve and the umbrella, the reach are busy hanging the gong of Dior—who died 1957 and invented the New Look 10 years earlier, In an age when three quarters of the world with ly option seems to be wearing blue jeans they are codman of New York has even started buying coure pieces again including among its suppliers Hubert e Givenchy, probably the most expensive dressmaker the world. The store reports a sell-out. If a recent edition The Economist devoted an article

o the rebirth of French courure and said takings from he three most prominent houses, Dior, Saint Laurent and Cardin, accounted for "two thirds of total Paris them house rumover of \$650m a year in conture, en's and women's wear, and licensing".

The in the last word that the secret of French in the last word that the secret of French in the secret of the fashionable arts—and in these I include perfume and accessories, though not make up includes. But successful licensing of design names are at in itself. It is one which the British have

or so far mastered and which the French have national immaculately.

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In Paris, the house of Dior survived its founder's fleath. Pierre Cardin is in fact now largely concerned with liversifying into cars and radios and virtually anything which will take a "design" name: while the Saint Laurent rolls along on a royalty from the manageriarrers of his Rive Gauche label, who in turn call to licensed "RG" boutique outlets round the

But it is all very closely controlled. I do not know Mar: Bohan actually sees every Dior corset design, but you can bet that someone knows if he is going to to despe in the couture collection which will renot emple in the continue confection which will repure something different. No Saint Laurent item can
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re broud to manage fashion, and a great many more wited craftsmen who are proud to serve fashion. fayie, as Balenciaga told me, the era of couture was lead when you could not find a handmade silk rose I the right shape in Paris, but you can find a sur-rising number of other things.

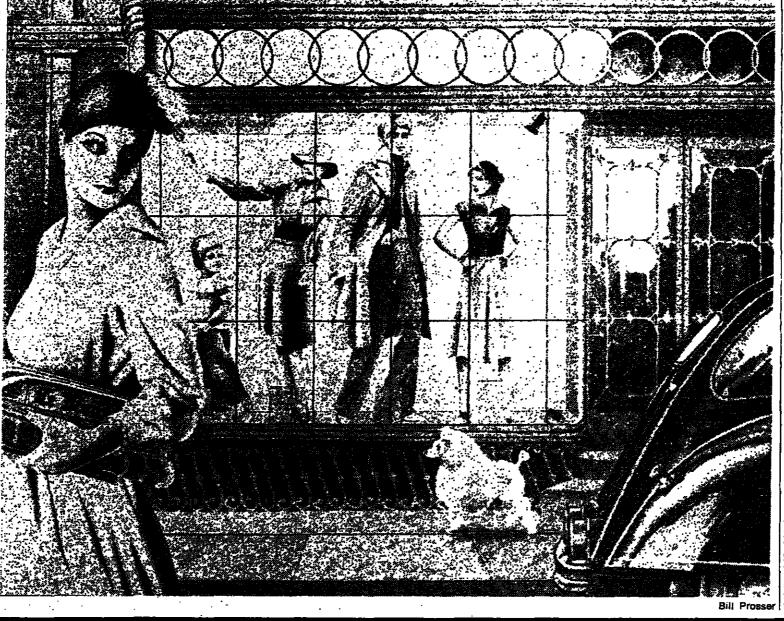
It is a myth that the French are necessarily better pressed, since, as Katharine Whitehorn once pointed out the average garb 50 miles outside Paris is a bringed synthetic shift of indeterminate shape, longer at the front than the back, and worn with bedroom

What the Frenchwoman has is an inborn interest n and affection and respect for dress; a sense of pending priorities (do not forget state education) which enables her to further this taste if she wishes on the other hand do not forget food prices); and a ympathetic ambience in which to try new styles he saleswoman behind the narrowest counter will

rang to know what you think; so will the taxi driver. There are no Purnan hangups about fashion being wicked self-adornment. In other words, for cenries fashion to the French has been not the work of the devil but the preoccupation of the people.

> Prudence Glynn Fashion Editor, The Times

a Special Report



# Silks victims of tradition

by Ian Murray

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Montedison, is seeking to close most of its synthetic tissue operations in France. Union negotiators held the managing director captive most of one night when he recently announced redundancy plans. But that makes it more difficult for the topend of the market, which relies heavily on a booming trade at the base on which to build.

French silks are the most important fabric in the fashion industry. They are mostly produced in Lyons by methods that have been handed down through generations of craftsmen.

Only 18 of the top fabric houses form the Chambre Syndicale des Maisons de Tissus Spéciaux à la Conture. At their factory a small team of designers work through the year to produce patterns to present to the haute couture designers twice a year.

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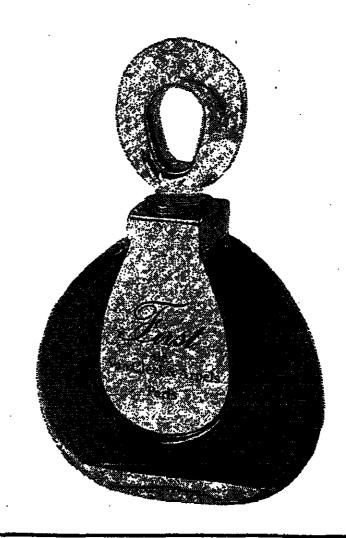
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Charles Hargrove talks to two leading designers: one the king of fashion for women,

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# Yves Saint Laurent: by trapeze to the top



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Haute couture, he asserts,

M Saint Laurent thinks couture. I could do without impossible for me now.

went straight to the top.

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For him success started from the time, 10 years ago, ture in a world apart."

"when I realized that a countrier was not a man who should use women to try shou

# Pierre Cardin: creator not clothes' merchant



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He has sold more than work, a little sad that he 380 licences for his designs has so often been misunderin 50 congeries throughout stood.

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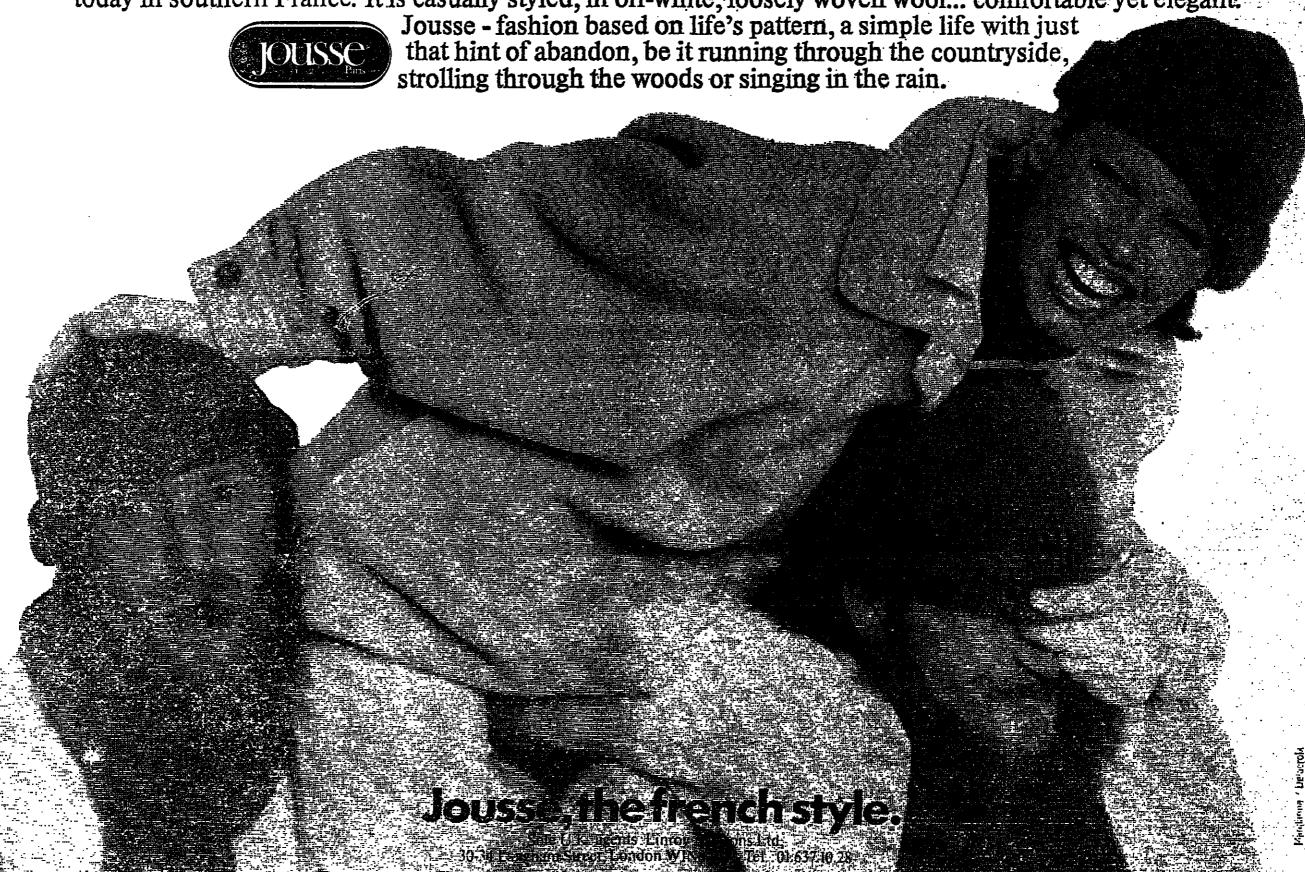
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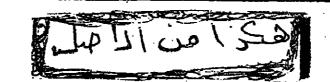
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Jousse: pick the French style.

Autumn rusts, moss greens and winter whites combine with tweed, flannel, corduroy and soft wool to dominate the new Jousse collection. The blouson featured below is a direct descendant of the jacket still worn by shepherds today in southern France. It is casually styled, in off-white, loosely woven wool... comfortable yet elegant.





# Man behind an image of success

# How they spent their money

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It takes more than business acumen and sound management to get to the top and stay there in the fashion trade which has been likened to cross-country running, and requires an eye for country, staying power, and a few ideas up one's sleeve. M Cacharel has all three Born at Nimes, he was trained as a fitter, but failed to qualify and went into tailoring instead. He went to Paris in the early 1950s, and started designing women's clothes.  He set up on his own with 5,000 francs lent by his sister, and a name taken from a wild duck of his Provençal home, a cacharel,	couture. The accolade of success came in 1965, when the front page of Elle fearnered a girl in a black skirt and pink shirt, which became the "uniform of the summer".  M Cacharel's stroke of genius was to create an inage with which millions of women liked to ideorify themselves, a point of his advertising. He told me that those intriguing posters were based on a deliberately blurred picture—he has for the past seven years employed a remarkably talemed photographer, Sarah Moon—to look more like a photograph than an advertisement for a particular model, to make women dream, and feel they could dress that way too. He knows exactly what kind of woman he is designing clothes for.  "She is between 20 and 40, very active, and moves about a lot. She has a job, drives her own car, goes away for weekends. She is not a femme fleur, but is at the same time very femining Lebergery design.	novate. "Ten out of 100 models in my two annual collections are original, even a trifle eccentric. Some do not catch on. When I tried to lengthen skirts, I was a season ahead of the trend. I have a tendency to push ahead, but have to restrain myself. It is difficult to translate new ideas on a mass scale immediately. One has to push them discreetly, by degrees", he added.  And he has a number of firsts to his credit. Back in 1966 he discovered cotton crope in Switzerland. It was an instant success. He made half a million blouses. Before that, he had introduced American flowered shirts, and Bermuda shorts to France. "Fashion nowadays is created by prêt à porter, not by the haute couture.  "It has far more influence on the way the average woman dresses. Nowadays, prêt à porter firns hold collections and the press goes to judge it one knows instinctively if comething is gaing to catch	quality of materials and workmanship. "There are, very few people in the world who know how to make clothes of our quality", he claims. "The quality he claims. "The quality he claims. "The quality price relationship is also very important. I can offer the best quality for the best price, thanks to very wide distribution throughout the world. I have produced clothes on an industrial scale from materials like silk and crepe de chine which hitherto were worked only by milliners. Hence I can achieve lower prices."  Europe, he admits, cannot compete with the cheap textites from Hongkong, Singapore and Korea. But for quality of fabrics and production, and for creativeness, Europe is very competitive. If he exports so much to the United States, the reason is that, although Americans are deluged with cheap textiles from the Far East, there is a wide demand for clothes of better quality. They cannot produce them themselves, Mr. Cacharel points out, because	Liberty's selection."  M Cacharel has also a line in men's and children's clothes. He started the men's five years ago because he wanted to make them dress as attractively as women. Here he sticks to rather classical sportswear. Men are very conformist, in his opinion. It was difficult to make them adopt a loose, free style, with bright colcurs, unlined coats, Liberty print ties. But now these have caught on and his network of retailers clamour for more.  Here is a line of business which has not been affected by the economic crisis. On the contrary, it has boosted Cacharel's sales. The reason is that women have become more choosy about quality and price, and therefore	These figures are a ore down of an exhaustive loat the clothing habits of the French, carried out in 1972 and published in Nove ber 1974 as part of a conting study by the institution statistics and econon studies (INSEE) looking it various aspects of Frenlife. It is the third in series on clothing, the libeing carried out in 1963. In the mine years between two studies various emerged. Nowada women spend more the men on clothes, where previously it was the other way about. 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Shirts	104.86			30.05	
Underwear	51.85	77.22	74.65	45.55	
Socks	29.14	87.18	103.73	20.78	
Shoes	75.34	100.98	136.89	61 95	
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# Fifty years after a dignified start

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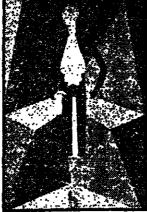
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The most significant of yearly salons have the past 50 years of high flourished. Last March fashion in Paris were 1947, there were 900 exhibitors, when Christian Dior 30 per cent international launched his New Look; The more luxurious bouti-1957, when Chanel returned ques counted 200 exhibitors, to the scene, unabashedly all French. Figures are elofollowing the same line as quent. The salon at the she had left off in 1938; Porte de Versailles' giant and 1964, when Courrèges, exhibition palace received father of the 1963 mini-49,779 visitors, representing skirt. put women into 90 countries; 55 per cent skirt, put women into 90 countries; 55 per cent trouser suits, prophesying being non-French. that in the not too distant About 75,000 people are future women of all ages would wear them all day prises. Finally, the ready-to-and every day (he was wear sales for 1976 grossed that the suit of the same sales for 1976 grossed that the sales for 1976 grossed the same sales for 1976 gro



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# Why a slanging match must not get in the way of human rights

Detente has lost momentum. This is in sharp contrast to the euphoric years of the first half of this decade. What has

In the nature of things we cannot In the nature of things we cannot realistically expect detente to maintain the momentum of the early 1970s. The first and easier stage of detente is now over. This is in no sense meant to belittle the earlier achievements. The detente process has managed to more East and West away from the dangerous hostility of the Cold War. It has brought the two sides to recognize a common the two sides to recognize a common interest in so managing their relations that they can avoid military confrontation and nuclear war.

As a result of 25 years' hard work by American, European and Soviet leaders, East-West relations are today more stable and the world safer. There is less risk of the kind of situation in which, at the time of the Cuba crisis, Mr Khrushchev detected a "smell of hymning in the cit." burning in the air ".

This is a substantial, and, I hope, a lasting achievement. But we must be realistic and recognize that the détente process started from a low base-line and represents to date only a limited, though vitally important, accommodation in Europe and between the superpowers Soviet involvement in Angola and the enormous effort put by the Soviet Union into military expenditure—around 12 per cent of gap—illustrate the present limitations of détente.

The issues which today dominate the agenda of East-West relations, not least the arms control issues, are increasingly complex and intractable. It is for instance almost three years since the last major achievement of US-Soviet on strategic arms limitation which was

by Dr David Owen

the Foreign Secretary

to pave the way for a full Salt II, but which has yet to do so.

The problems of detente today have

The problems of detente today have also begun to impinge on fundamental attitudes to society and human behaviour. Nowhere is this more apparent than in the field of human rights.

Recently human rights have pushed themselves into the forefront of international affairs. Presidem Carter's determination to give a higher priority in foreign policy to the values which lie at the core of American democracy has had a lot to do with this. So has the had a lot to do with this. So has the growing publicity which has been given the quite appalling things which fortunately go on in every quarter

World opinion, as never before, is conscious of the need to raise the human rights profile in the conduct of international relations. At the root of international relations. At the root of all this is the realization that we shall never have a world in which peace, stability and prosperity are the rule, rather than the exception, unless there is also respect for basic human rights and civil liberties. This is true whether we are talking about the Middle East, southern Africa, or North-South or East-West relations.

It was for this reason that in the Helsimki Final Act two years ago we, together with our partners in other

together with our partners in other democratic countries, successfully sought to include provisions pledging

signatory states to uphold human rights and fundamental freedoms and to permit the free exchange of people and ideas. Now we want to see the full implementation of the Helsinki Final Act. It would be unreasonable to expect to It would be unreasonable to expect to achieve this overnight. In pressing for full implementation, we are in many areas dealing with deep-seated fears and prejudices which in the nature of things will take time to dissipate. The purpose of the Final Act is fundamentally long-term—as a charter and code of behaviour for what we hope in time will become a more purpose and open

will become a more normal and open relationship between governments and peoples in Eastern Europe as well as between East and West.

The aim of the Belgrade meeting, which opened on Tuesday, will be not only to review progress in implementing the Final Act, but also to help us take another stage forward in the evolution of this relationship.

It follows that we do not want to get the a classify metch at Palamate with

into a slanging match at Belgrade with the Soviet Union and her allies; this would be totally self-defeating. But we do have an obligation with the other participants to conduct a thorough re-view of how the Final Act has been implemented so far; and where we con-sider the performance of other countries to be demonstrably unsatisfactory, we must say so without hesitation. This is the indispensable precondition for

building further on the foundations laid by the Helsinki Finzl Act. In this way we can bring the commu-nist countries to realize that our con-cern for human rights is not a divercern for human rights is not a diver-sionary tactic, nor a provocative cam-paign designed to make life difficult for them. It is an integral part of our foreign policy thoroughout the world. This is the only possible approach for a Labour Government which is commit-ted to project abroad the values and ideals of the British people. Of course, there will always be con-troversy about the most effective means of registering people's concern about

of registering people's concern about violations of human rights: whether, for instance, it is right for governments to espouse in public the cause of major dissident figures; or whether this is dissident figures; or whether this is better left to private organizations or to impublicized contacts between governments. This is something which the Government has to decide for itself.

Vital though it is, the issue of human rights is only one element in the Final Act, only one strand in the complex of East-West relations. The greatest human right is after all the right to live, and to live in peace, without fear of nuclear or any other kind of war.

Our job is to reduce and finally remove the threat of war. That is why the strategic arms limitation talks between the Soviet Union and the United

tween the Soviet Union and the United States and the negotiations in Vienna on force reductions in central Europe, as well as other arms control negotiations, lie at the core of détente. That is also why we are as firmly committed as ever to detente and the search for a more constructive relationship with the Sovier Union and Eastern Europe. in both peace and buman rights will

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# If I were the Pope

by Malcolm Muggeridge



If I were to find myself Pope would be to go into retreat in the nearest thing I should do would be to go into retreat in the nearest thing to a wilderness to be found in the Varican precincts. This would probably turn out to be Castel Candida.

In retrear I should meditate

ordinary survival through the despite every sort of abomi-nation committed by, or under the auspices of, my predeces-sors, taking due account of Hilaire Belloc's piquan obser-vation that the Church must enjoy God's special protection since otherwise, in view of the manner in which, and by whom, its affairs have been conducted, it would long ago have foundered and disappear-

I should also medicate upon the Church's present circumstances, so full of confusion, strife and lunary following Pope John's Vatican Council and the amazing decision resulting therefrom to have another Reformation, just when the former, one the former one— s—seemed finally to

have run into the sand. I should hope to have Mother Teresa and some of her Sisters of Charity with me at my retreat, her cooperation having been a precondition of my accepting the pontifical appointment in the first place. It is not her style to proffer advice, but I should find her presence and prayers enormously reassuring, and try to persuade her to take over part of the Vatican for one of her

Her extraordinary influence and clarification are conveyed, not so much by words or exhortation, as by the love she radiates, shining out from her visibly, like light. Also, I should look to the

Sisters to take care of my domestic arrangements, thereby ensuring that, in accordance with the rigorously followed rule of their Order, my way of life would be abstemious, though not, I fear, like theirs. This, however, would not in-volve stripping the Vatican and St Peter's of their embel ishments, which belong to the Church's splendid artistic her-

that Jesus finng out of the Temple, and the rich young man was instructed to get rid of his own private possessions and give the proceeds to the poor, not to take it upon him-self to dispose of public trea-

sures. When Mother Teresa opens a new House, the room chosen to be the chapel alone has any fine furnishings that may be available; it is, she insists, for the Lord, and so deserves whatever may be available to glorify it. Let it never be for-

gotten that it was Judas who

an objection expensive ointment was poured over Jesus's head—a point I might wall make and expound in one of my addresses, if not in an encyclical (Ut Quid Per-dicio Haec).

My first venture returned from the wilderness would be to re-issue Humanae Vitue in a greatly simplified form, reinforcing its essential point that any form of artificial contraception is inimical to the Christian life.

Admintedly, I should go on explain, this prohibition had to expla earlier prohibition of usury, but it remained abundantly clear that the divorcement of ion, was proving increasingly

than might be l-who have had the spiritual ensight and resolution to abide by Humanae Vitae, to manifest their existence, maybe by wearing a special badge, like motorists who have passed an advanced driving test.

Next, I should suspend the prohibition of the Tridentine Mass and the traditional Latin liturgy, which would thence-forth be permissible whenever and wherever there was an appreciable demand for it. The disco-style vernacular worship its sadly banad words which has come to take its place, would be allowed to go on, but I should secretly hope that, as fashions changed, it might wither away.

In any case, I should leave it to my successors, after an appropriate experimental period, to take decisions on a all Catholic churches. I might well however put out an encyclical (Venite Adoremus) on the subject of worship, pointing out that essential pointing out that requirements for the form used are that, in an ever-changing world, it should convey a sense of permanence, and in a world largely given over to the transient pursuits

of Time, a sense of Eternity.

Thus, of all activities, worship should be the least preoctrage, and give delight to ship should be the least preocurany. Indeed, I should set my face very resolutely against suggestions of this kind.

After all, it was the money changers, not the organients, that least firms out of the the Version or the least preocuracy with consequence with noday and momony, but only with forever. the Varican, or strolling up and down the Vatican garden, I feel sure I should be assailed by the temptation to do a bit of excommunication and anathexcommunication and anathema on my own account as and when the opportunity presented itself. Recedent-fighting prelates, Eberated nuns, Marxist-dialoguing Jesuits and other such ribald derical phenomena of our time, along with the accompanying literature, would be, for me, tempting targets. Auto-de-fé, and the Index might be difficult to revive, but at least I could run Or could I? On considers

tion, any such attempted eparation might well backfire; prudence would dictate treading very warily when it came to using papal authority to restore discipling among recalcitrant clergy and religious. citrant clergy and religious.

To begin with at any rare. should have to content myself with using new appointments for corrective purposes. For instance, I might consider making Mgr. Lefebrre my Nuncio in Poland, and Fr. Hans Kung my observer at the World my observer at the World Council of Churches on the understanding that when the proceedings began to prove un-endurable which might endurable which might happen quite soon—he would be transferred to Cuba as my Apostolic Delegate there.

As, in the nature of the case, I could only expect to occupy the position of Pope for a short period—a year or so at most—I should concentrate all single enterprise.

This would be, very dis-creetly, and even secretly, to prepare the way for an under-ground Church to go on functioning when the open one has been either forcibly disbanded, or so corrupted and disorientated from within that it can no longer fulfil its traditional role, as laid down in the Gospels and expounded in the Pauline Epistles, of keeping the Word that became flesh and dwelt among us, full of grace and truth.

would be a Christian maquis or clandestine Catacombs Order, whose superior and members would be chosen with the utmost care for their abid-ing faith, mystical insight and lave for the Church and its

orthodoxy.

What I should hope to find would be some twentieth century Loyala, with the luminous mind of a John Henry New-man, the courage of a Cardinal Mindezenty and the charity of a Mother Teresa. Such a man would gather round him the keep alive the Christian faith

through another Dark Age. When the extravagant hopes placed in a kingdom-of-neavenon-earth prove, as they must, to be unterly fraudulent, when the seemingly overwhelming strength of nuclear weaponry is exposed as expable only of destruction, when the abound-ing wealth of an ever-expanding wealth of an ever-expanding economy turns out to be only so much paper, and the offerings of ever more vacifierous and portentous media, so much fantasy—then my Catacombists, I should hope, would stand ready to give back to a spiritually impoverished and materially, morally and culturally bankrupt world the inexhaustible riches of Christ That would be a Papacy indeed! Perhaps—who can deed! Perhaps—who can telt?—some unexpected papabile is even now being divinely groomed to take it on. © Times Newspapers Ltd. 1977

• This concludes the series.

### Ronald Butt

# All brothers together at Brighton

The left-right struggle for the future of the Labour Party has been put on ice at Brighton to stay irozen until after the elec-

The leaders of the quiescent left have played their appointed roles as safety valves. Mr Foot yesterday used his ritual cadences to channel his own, and the average delegate's anti-EEC instincts into support for Mr Callaghan's declaration of commitment to membership by stressing more heavily the pro-spect of altering the Community from the inside in Britain's

Mr Benn, who said in a Lon-don church last June that the Fible was the most influential political text book in Britain, actually went so far as to deliver his speech on Monday in such solemn and liturgical tones as to make his message about so make this message seem to be above the battle. Even Mrs Castle, that shrill voice from the previous reign, worked in the good new cause.

With the "legitimate" left in this emollient frame of mind, and even the less legitimate keeping quiet, with the Government's financial policies accepted, the Labour right might be expected to be in triumphant mood and, indeed, the "legin-mate" right do seem quietly satisfied. The most curious aspect of the scene at their end of the Labour spectrum is their apparent lack of a leader.

Now, of course, there is no single leader on the laft, either, which has gone in for collective leadership since Bevan. On the

leadership since Bevan. On the right, however, there has been a curious urge for commitment to a leader since Gaitskell's death Mr Roy Jenkins had that role. But who is the leader of the right now?

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to be found at the Fabian tea party, or featured in Labour Victory, the broadsheet of the Campaign for Labour Victory (the right's "fightback" organization against the inroads of the left). The leader of the right is not Mr William Rogers, Mr Roy Hattersley, Mrs Shirley even Dr David Owen.

In practice, it is none other than the Prime Minister him-self, who is playing a part that something quite new in Labour politics.

the trick of managing the party from the right—by which I mean laying down straight-forward traditionalist mixedappeal to Labour voters and repel most Labour activistsbut doing it without upsetting the left. He even knows how to praise the police and win some applause for it, which is quite something at a Labour con-

Of course, he could not have done it but for the determina-tion of the left not to rock the belief that, whether wins or loses the left will be dominant thereafter.

However, whatever the motive, peace reigns now, and the ques-tion is whether the left is justified in its optimism for the future. On the right, there are some who deny that the left wing will manage to take over if Labour goes into opposition. They say that if Labour loses, that could be the opportunity for the moderates once and for all to settle the balance of the Labour Party their way. For one thing, according to

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The right plan can transform the financial situation of

discusses the proposal to oblige all MPs to be reselected regularly. It is likely to be referred to next year's con-ference. The unions will not welcome the danger to their sitting members; the left fears the over-enthusiasm of their own fringe extremists.

Labour candidates told Mr Benn at a meeting on Monday that they did not think much working hard to get to Westminster only to be quickly discwned by a caucus that changed

The problem arises from painfully small constituency parties. Primary election of candidates by all Labour Party members in a constituency would produce both more representative MPs and a bigger membership which would join to vote. But somehow, I do not see many signs that Labour activists would go quite this far in trusting Labour voters.

the silken cords of office, and who now lack time, energy and freedom to wage the battle for social democracy, will then be free to do so. But where is the money to come from? What organization will the right bave with which to counter the hold of the left on the organization of the Labour Party as a whole? Do the right really have the stomach for the task that could

long as they seem to have the option of trying to control it from the inside? Who would lead them in opposition. Not Mr Callaghan. He will have done his bit if Labour loses. Not for 20 years has a Labour

conference been so free from drama. The atmosphere of this huge antiseptic hall, which makes the conference look like life seen through the wrong end of a telescope—clear, small and unreal—is curiously appropriate to the mood. Yet I suspect that there is more tension than east there is more tension than east of a telescope—clear, small and unreal—is curiously appropriate to the mood. Yet I suspect that there is more tension than ever waiting to burst out when the design of our major social projects."? And what is the difference between her notion of "diffusing power" and that of Mr Benn and Mr Brian

ecision. What Labour will be like after the election is a subject on which speculation is not much encouraged. But it is the point on which the public will eventually have to make up its

On Monday, I did go to the Fabian tea to hear Mrs Williams, who has often been tipped as Mr Roy Jenkins's successor to the leadership of the right. Her subject was "Towards the Eighties", and quite naturally the manner and matter of what she said was the sweetest of reason.

She declared that politics was a matter of spectrum, rather than alternative; that there can be non socialist societies with much state control (for instance, France) and socialist states with quite a lot of liberty She thought the job of social

democracy was to combine the liberty with the greatest concentration of power for com-munal ends. The main problem ahead was the "diffusion of wer". Public ownership of industry was important because it "opens the door to something different". It was not the end of the road.

As for diffusing power, it might be done by tenants' nousing associations for widening the area of choice "; more "de-bureaucratization" fair paraphrase. Some questions struck me. Mrs Williams thinks we should

look again at the way in which we come to deal with (say) the design of homes, to avoid such mistakes as high rise flats. But how do you de-bureaucratize without more bureau-cracy to do it? How do you get more involvement without still more "organization"? How, precisely, do you get a "greater human element in the

Sedgemore, who, on the left favour exactly the same

"choice", except for those who can put their bands in their pockets and pay for something

and can it really be created
except by enabling more people to do just that? Mrs Williams is so utter!

reasonable, and her political construction sounds plausible until you begin to ask questions. Labour, she said, ought to think again about the small firm—in the public sector, as well. "I don't care a damn if it's in the public or private What an admirable sents

Yet how can you have a small firm (in any ordinary sense of the expression) in the public sector, when the Chan-cellor of the Exchequer, the National Enterprise Board and the public purse are all there to prop it up? I only ask. As it happened, I was stand ing next to somebody from the Social Democratic Alliance

who told me afterwards that he wanted to ask Mrs Williams, had he caught the chairman's how she would advise eye, now she would advise a good social democrat to respond European communist leaders time this year by the NEC.

The answer might have been interesting. The communist ther word) and involving observers have been quite in parents in education. Tory choice was minority group the press lounge. M Mitterand, choice. I hope all that is a the Freech social democrat, is due to arrive tomorrow. should have something interesting to say about Euro-communism and his present problems with it, which may be of some interest to the National Executive committee —if his plane gets here on time.

One person who will not be flying in, I gather, is Sir Harold Wilson. His absence in America is not inconvenient.

What a strange and unquiet invisible entourage would have followed the former leader as he walked to the platform of this calm and placed conference, from which, it seems, all passion has gone underground.

I suppose we'll have to go

on taking the tabletse

# THE TIMES DIARY/PHS

### A Day at the Races, or why the Brighton session was secret

took myself off to the Kemp-town racetrack on top of the

It is now possible to tell you why journalists were banned from the conference hall for that private business session; that private business session; life". Yesterday, in the bar Joan Lestor, the chair person, did not want an expectant world to know that most of the delegates were at the races. Indeed, the first three people I saw as I approached the Paddock Bar were a Government minister, the leader of a very militant union and a Conservative whip. "Just look at those fetlocks", the Tory said, though I was uncertain whether he referred to the horse, Wan lookhead or its delectable rider, he referred to the horse. Wan-lockhead or its delectable rider, Brooke Sanders.

A transport of delight

service that is offered to con-ference delegates free of

As the Labour Party did not want me to report its "secret the 3 o'clock, and paid 25-1 session" and as I had a hot tip from a Lancashire delegate for in the fifth aboard Right So, the third race at Brighton, I the 21 favourite. So it was a

profitable, as well as informative, afternoon.

You will be glad to hear that I have at last spotted a Socialist indulging in what Jack Jones regards as "the good life" Vectorday in the host Jones regards as the good life". Yesterday, in the bar of the conference headquarters

she thought it insufficiently chilled.

# TIMES TO SPEAKE

Bedtime story

Richard Hoggart had a nice

I was amused to observe stuck to the windscreen of a Frenchregistered car at Brighton, a notice to gladden the hearts of all Labour anti-Marketeers and indeed those who oppose metrication. It said: "Metre not working."

I was amused to observe stuck to oparking to ordinary mortals," the item read, "and there are plenty of policemen around Brighton this week to enforce this law. However, several large status cars have been parked all day on double yellow lines outside plush hotels." story for delegates at the Library Association's centenary conference in London yester-day. When he was with Unesco, someone said a motto was not working."

I was amused, too, to note a rebellious complaint in the news cars, most of which bore CD needed for International Population Year. They got round a table and someone realized it was International Book Year plates except of course for ference delegates free of those which were being used charge. It concerned parking by ministers. Presumably, minias well. A witty Mexican sug-gested the joint motto: "When problems. sters do not carry small change "Double yellow lines mean to feed parking meters. bed, read a book

### Dizzy heights of poetry

Sweetness and light have re-turned to the Poetry Society which for the past three years has been more conspicuous for fanatical ideological feuding that for devotion to Calliope and her sisters. The unwieldy General Coun-

cil, which was a fecund source for the clash of symbols, has for the clash of symbols, has been reduced to 2.1 And moderate Mrs Paddy Kitchen, the novelist, has been elected Chairpoet. She said yesterday that she wanted the society to be a lake in which elephants of every poetic persuasion could swim and lambs could naddle.

The Society will hold a series of benefit evenings at which poets, novelists, actors, and painters will perform without fee to raise money to redecorate the building.

The society has just acquired the freehold of its large house in Earls Court. Next weekend, a stanza of poets will resend the floor of the hig Events Room, while Paddy Kitchen and Maureen Duffy paint the top flat where the offices are moving. Professionals are being called in for the high ceilings; apparently poets suffer from apparently poets suffer from vertigo more than the rest of

The Anglo American
Corporation is advertising for
a boring engineer to work
in South Africa. A shame it
was not a boring journalist.
I could have submitted a few

### Fishermen's tales—but all true

Sally Festing knows how to talk to fishermen and I do not I realized my deficiency the other week when I asked a raw-faced Scot who had just put into the harbour at St Abbs whether he had had a good night's hand of the local product, mackerel He spat into the sea, said there were no mackerel in those He spat into the sea, said there were no mackerel in those waters end that, anyhow, he had not been fishing only helping to repeir a friend's boat. I suppose I should have not held that he a nowlet exact the held that, ice powder apart, the hold

Mrs Festing would not have made silly mistakes like that. She has known, and clearly

Flashback

I would not be surprised if Yevgeny Svetlanov, in his London botel room this morning, had his fingers crossed while scrutinizing the headlines.

Mr Svetlanov conducts the Philharmonia in a concert at the Royal Festival Hall tonight.

You might remember how the Royal Festival Hall tonight the row went on for several You might remember how minutes before the non-political unfortunately timed was his nature of the evening was Albert Hall concert with his allowed to take over.

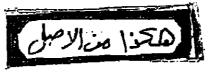
one particular place at one particular time. regular orchestra, the USSR State Symphony, in 1968. It was just after the Soviet inva-sion of Czechoslovakia. The players took the stage, and Mr Sverianov mounted the rostrum, to shouts of "Freedom for Czechoslovakia" and "Hands off the Czechs". And

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fishermen's bustling yesterdays and precarious todays.

It is, however, mainly because of the doubtful immorrows that her book Fishermen (David and Charles, £3.95) can take its place with Cobbert's Rural Rides as a chronicle of how Man and Nature coalesced in one particular place at one

For any male reader of this diary who laments that no longer For any male reader of this diary who laments that no longer does he alone wear the trousers in his castle, I have more gloomy news. His tie prerogative may be the next to go. Paris fashion houses report that more women are wearing ties because the "messy open-neck look." is becoming démodé. I appland Graham Lack, chairman of the British Tie Manufacturers Association, for reacting thus: "Maybe this is just a male chauvinistic attitude and totally unbusinessifike, but I wish women would leave this last and sacred wardrobe emblem of malehood alone." But then he goes and spoils it with this hint of capitulation: "I accept that if the trend really develops and we increase sales, we will be mollified. really develops and we increase sales, we will be mollified





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# JPHILL TO DISARMAMENT

resident Carter's desire for a setter world is sincere and com-tendable and shared by all sane eople. It is doubtless as frustrating for him as for others o find the world clinging to abits which cause vast amounts f unnecessary suffering and bhich could bring it to nuclear isaster. The frustration is all he greater because the broad olutions are as obvious as the allure to adopt them. The great lowers should reduce their juclear arsenals, curb the more langerous and absurd aspects of heir competition and spend nore time and money on improvlife for themselves and

ithers. The trouble is that human behaviour has changed little while the penalties for its failires have vastly increased. On the other hand the potential for improvement should also have increased. The vast opening up of global communications and he growing awareness of living n a global community, as well is the fear of nuclear war, should help concentrate men's minds.

Mr Carter's speech to the United Nations was a useful conribution. It contained nothing ery new but it was a declaration intent and a stimulus to endeavour. It was an attempt to aise people's eyes beyond the imits of what seems immediately possible in negotiation. It was a reminder of the enormous waste involved in the world's military expenditure, which he now puts at about three hundred billion dollars a year. "Last year", he said, in a passage which ought to fill every human being with shame, " the nations of the world spent more than sixty times as much equipping each soldier as we did educating each child. The industrialized nations spend the most money but the rate of Prowth in military spending is faster in the developing world."

When it comes to doing something about this the gap between the desirable and feasible yawns depressingly wide. Perhaps there is room for the occasional publicity gesture. Mr Carter's promise not to use nuclear weapons except in response to an attack, whether nuclear or conventional, merely confirms what has long been a basic assumption of American policy. It is not new, except perhaps in its phraseology, and it does not meet the Soviet proposal that everyone should promise never to use nuclear weapons first. This proposal is equally propagandistic. If taken seriously it would unbalance the situation in Europe because the Soviet Union's superiority in conven-tional weapons is balanced only by western nuclear weapons. It would have to be accompanied by drastic increases in the West or decreases in the East, and even then might increase tension by making war more thinkable. In fact, however, nobody can take it seriously because neither side would meekly accept conventional defeat if nuclear weapons were available.

The more serious of Mr

Carter's points were eisewhere. On nuclear proliferation he is right to utter warnings, but part of the trouble has been his own country's unsteady record as a supplier of nuclear fuels for peaceful purposes. The other problem is that pressure for the acquisition of nuclear weapons will abate only if the world becomes a more secure place. Otherwise controls, limitations and agreements can have only a delaying effect, though this also has its value. Similar difficulties surround Mr Carter's offer to cut nuclear weaponry by half. Although this could not be achieved in the immediate future there is no reason why it should not be on the agenda of serious discussion. The quantity of weaponry on both sides is out of proportion to the needs of defence and deterrence. It could be reduced without any loss of security on either side. But the Russians did not welcome Mr Carter's earlier proposals for deep cuts, and there are severe technical and political problems.

Disarmament agreements can pick on a few specific weapons and try to limit their development or reduce their numbers, which may save money or make a marginal contribution to stability. Alternatively they can try to lower the whole level of confrontation, but this is extremely difficult because weapons, deployments and geographical factors are very different on each side. It is almost impossible to agree on equivalence. Then wholly new

weapons such as the cruise missile cut right across existing divisions between strategic and tactical weapons. Both main sets of arms negotiations are taking place in wholly meaningless categories. The Salt Agreement is confined to weapons which are no longer as significant as they were, while the Vienna talks on troop reductions in Europe are confined to a geographical area which is meaningless in military terms. Meanwhile Mr Harold Brown, the American Defence Secretary, has now confirmed that the Russians have a capacity for destroying satellites which is not yet available to the United States. The race goes on.

It would thus be wrong to pin too many hopes on technical agreements on arms control. They can help limit the scope of the arms race, put curbs on certain weapons, and serve as a point of contact for negotiation, mutual education and the exchange of information, but they cannot by themselves stop the arms race as a whole or contribute more than marginally to world security. That requires treating the political distrust and rivalry which keep the arms race going.

Mr Carter called for a code of conduct and mutual restraint, but the Soviet Union shows no signs of renouncing its commitment to support "wars of liberation" and it is still very reluctant to take its proper place in the world among the richer industrial nations. It still insists on being a pseudo-revolutionary false friend of the poor in opposition to the allegedly exploitive capitalists. As long as this attitude prevails—and it could be only tacitly abandoned without a major ideological somersault—the scope for East-West cooperation in the third world must be limited. The best hope must be that Mr Andrew Young is right in believing that whatever Marxist noises are made by the newly emerged states they will soon find they need American technology and that Russia's non-military aid is poor and diminishing. The Russians and the rest of the world should realize, however, that the offer of cooperation which Mr Carter is extending is real and that to reject it does no service to mankind.

### AT THE CENTRE OF GOVERNMENT

constitutional theorists to depict sthe United Kingdom as one of the most over-centralized nations in the developed world. Yet it is a paradox of Whitehall itself that its own centre does not hold. There is no single central department of state to dominate all others. Power is dispersed between the Treasury, the Cabinet Office, the Civil Service Department and, to an extent that is not generally realized, the Prime Minister's private office and Policy Unit in No 10 Downing Street. When reform is in the air, as it is at present with ca Prime Minister dissatisfied with the service he receives from this bureaucracy, an Expenditure Committee report urging specific changes and a new Head of the Home Civil Service to be appointed, the blurred and overlapping responsibilities of the central departments look especially messy. The possible reconstructions seem rather untidy also, unless Mr Callaghan, against all indications, rejigs the Cabinet Office as a fully fledged Prime Minister's Department, establishing its primacy once and

for all. Over the past seven years the drift towards such a body has proceeded piecemeal. The foundation of the Central Policy Review Staff in 1970, the growth in the influence of the Prime Minister's private office under Mr Robert Armstrong between 1970 and 1975, the creation of a Policy Unit in No 10 under Dr Bernard Donoughue in 1974 have marked the stages of develop-ment. Above all, the increased

It has been the custom of might of the Cabinet Office, Minister but, as professional constitutional theorists to depict especially in economic affairs, head, he should speak publicly especially in economic affairs, head, he should speak publicly under the stewardship of Sir and widely about the Civil John Hunt has tilted the balance Service before select committees of power in Whitehall. Should and through an annual report.

Mrs Thatcher after a ConservaHis commission could be made minister alongside her as a chiefof-staff, another significant landmark will have been passed on the road to a Prime Minister's Department.

In the meantime the abolition of the Civil Service Department is due and a reconstitution of its powers in other ways and other places. First, responsibility for manpower and Civil Service pay should be joined with its natural twin, the control of public expenditure, in the Treasury. This would not be the regressive step that is often alleged. In pre-Fulton days, the pay and management side of the Treasury was virtually separate from all else in Treasury Chambers. Their proper union would be a sensible sten in the welcome climate of efficiency and economy reflected in the recent report of the Expenditure Committee.

Shorn of responsibility for manpower the Civil Service Department would lose its title separate existence. Its remaining responsibilities for recruitment promotions, honours, patronage and dealings with the unions on conditions of service and professional ethics could pass to a new foundationa Public Service Commission. The Head of the Home Civil Service would preside over the new body. He would be answerable to the Prime

accountable to the wider public, as well as to Parliament through the person of the Prime Minister, by the appointment of outsiders to its membership. A Public Service Commission

would provide a base from which to launch the reform of Whitehall. A determined insider using the external stimulus of the Expenditure Committee report could succeed where other attempts, notably in the wake of Fulton, have failed to achieve necessary and lasting change. He would however lack two of the chief sources of authority in Whitehall, a department of state at his back and responsibility for a large block of public expenditure. The lack could be made good only by the conspicuous and sustained backing of the Prime Minister.

Once its reforming brief was exhausted, much of the commission's raison d'être would be lost. It would be a child of its time, as the Civil Service Department was the progeny of Fulton. A Prime Minister's Department would seem a more permanent settlement of the problem of the central departments, but the innovation would provoke resistances and objections of its own. If he does nothing else at this stage, Mr Callaghan must make the headship of the Civil Service, whatever the body to which it is attached, a job worthy of a Whitehall heavyweight.

### Parliamentary candidates From Mr Michael Steed

Sir, I share the concern expressed by Mr Fred Craig and by your leading article (September 22), about the increasing number of parliamentary candidates. The average number of candidates at byelections during this year has been seven, and if that goes on we could see the number of general election candidates doubling.

It is not that one wishes to be spoilsport. The ingenuity with which new party labels are invented, and the competition for bottom place between a quartet of candidates who get less than 1 per cent between them adds to the fun of elections.

But as candidatures multiply, it will become increasingly difficult for the broadcasting authorities to give fair and adequate coverage to give tair and adequate coverage to each serious candidate; it is then the voters who are the losers. Furthermore, if we are ever to implement any element of the Houghton committee's recommendation in favour of financing parties, tion in rayour or insurer paraco, the most useful way would be to assist serious candidates to com-municate with their electors (through some reimbursement of printing costs, for instance) rather than by subsidising party bureau-cracies. That is impossible if candidates can appear as easily as

The question is urgent insofar as

the entry system for European elections must be defined by par-liament in the coming session-There it is the more important that candidates, fighting over larger areas, are given full access to regional television and local radio; whilst the privilege of a free distri-bution of the election address (worth £4,500 in the average parlia-mentary constituency at present postal rates) will become much more worth busing.

more worth buying.

If the deposit system were the only way of meeting the problem, then Mr Craig's suggestion of a rise in the deposit from £150 to £1,000, coupled with your eminently sen-sible suggestion that the threshold for getting the money back should be altered from its rather odd level of 121 per cent to a simple 5 per cent, would be worth considering. cent, would be worth considering. But there remain strong objections. It gives an even greater privilege to the wealthy. With the massive rise in postal costs since the last election, even a £1,000 fee may not prevent a rash of candidates happy to buy free distribution for commercial or other non-political motives. Whether the limit is 12½ per cent or 5 per cent, it is necessarily or 5 per cent, it is necessarily arbitrary, and the more that hangs on passing that barrier, the more

unfair it becomes.

But if instead of going back to what we did in 1918 and trying to bring it into line with inflation, we looked at some of our democratic neighbours, we could find a better way. Most European countries with

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parliamentary elections have found tures, or lists, by reference not to money but to evidence of real sup-port. Surely this is much more democratic?

Adapted to Britain, such a system

Adapted to Britain, such a system could qualify candidates to get on the ballot paper only if they were nominated by a party having received, say, 5 per cent of the votes at the previous election in that constituency or if a substantial number of electors wanted them to stand. This could be the signed declaration of at least 1 per cent of the electorate (divided by the number of seats in a multi-member of the electorate (divided by the number of seats in a multi-member constituency) that they wished to support a particular candidate.

Such a system would present a bigger obstacle to a wealthy crank, or a calculating publicist, than would a bigger deposit. But it would pose much less of a barrier to a genuinely politically motivated group of people, without much money, who wished to put forward someone to stand on a particular someone to stand on a particular platform or to test out the support for a new political grouping. And if our electoral provisions are made even more unfair to such people than they are now, it would be a serious loss of political rights. Yours faithfully,

MICHAEL STEED, Department of Government, University of Manchester, Dover Street, Manchester. September 23.

# LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

### Building ships for **Poland**

From Mr David H. Gault From Mr David H. Gaust
Sir, New bulkcarriers for Poland.
Everyone in the shipping industry
recognizes that the Government has
a most difficult problem in formulating a policy for shippinding and
in attracting work to the yards in
these hard times for shipping. These
difficulties do not however excuse these hard times for shipping. These difficulties do not, however, excuse the disregard shown to the future of our own sailors' employment and of our shipowning companies by the enticement with fancy credit terms of orders from a Communist country for bulkcarriers of a type already heavily oversubscribed in the present shipping slump.

Experience has shown that in the shipping trades in which Communist countries are operating, their vessels are not operated in accordance with normal economic criteria. How can they be when the East does not operate a market economy?

economy?

economy?

It is freely acknowledged that the Norwegian, Swedish and German Governments had the foresight to turn down these orders on principle, in spite of the fact that they have their own equally intractable problems of empty shipyards.

What better example could one have of capitalism and the West hell bent on self destruction, when for the sake of a few months work in the yards our leaders will appearently happily prejudice the future of one of our efficient and foreign exchange effective industries. Is a shipyard worker's vote more shipyard worker's vote more precious than a seaman's vote? Yours faithfully,

DAVID H. GAULT, Chairman, Gallic Shipping Limited, Blomfield House, 85 London Wall, EC2. October 4.

### Direct grant schools

From the Headmaster of Plymouth College Sir, The proposal to restore the direct grant is, of course, a matter for rejoicing as the Headmaster of Bristol Cathedral School suggests. But it is also a moment for cautious appraisal as the restoration, should it come about, will be no more secure than the wish of the majority party in Parliament. Those con-cerned three years ago with advising governors to take the path back to full independence must surely remember the difficulties of decisions then. Is there any guarantee that direct grant status will not become another unstable political tennis ball with agonizing decisions

every few years?
Yours faithfully,
RONALD MERRETT, Headmaster,
Plymouth College, Plymouth,

September 29.

### Plea bargaining From Mr Alan de Piro, QC

Sir, There is much misunderstanding about so-called plea bargaining.
The fact that, after his counsel sees
the judge in private, a defendant
changes a plea of not guilty to one of guilty does not mean, does not even suggest, that there has been

any plea bargaining.

If the judge is willing, and most experienced and assured judges are, defence counsel (accompanied, of course by prosecution coursel, and by their respective solicitors if they wish) may see the judge to ascer-tain, often by way of confirmation of his own opinion, what sort of sentence the defendant will, or will not, receive on conviction either by the jury or on his own plea of guilty.

If, as in case after case, the defendant's only concern is to avoid imprisonment, an intimation to him that he will not receive an immediate sentence of imprisonment is often quite sufficient to enable him to accept the truth (of his guilt) and face reality. This will also assist counsel to put forward the best possible mitigation on behalf of the defendant.

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There is no secrecy about this.

Nothing takes place which cannot be repeated to the defendant. There has been no plea bargaining. But there has been sensible and effective for municipal and effective for municipal and property. there has been sensitie and errec-tive communication between the court and the parties and the avoid-ance of possible misunderstanding. This is well understood by practi-tioners, approved by the Court of Appeal and is to be commended surely? Yours faithfully.

ALAN de PIRO, 4 King's Bench Walk, Temple, EC4. October 2.

### Discriminating by age From Mr J. Stewart Cook

Sir, As a member of the Labour Party, on reading Mr Humphry Berkeley's advocacy of reselection for MPs (October 1), I devoutly wish he had stayed in the Conserwative Party. To argue that a man who will be 70 in 1978 is somewhat old to be chosen again as Labour candidate . . " is surely an exhibition of the worst kind of age discrimination imaginable. Has Mr Berkeley never heard of Gladstone, Churchill, Fenner Brockway, Shinwell . . . to name but a few who have given the he to this utterly

have given the lie to this utterly stupid viewpoint?

Having just turned 70, I am aghast at the prevailing age discrimination on all sides which holds the view that anyone over 60 is a second class citizen who can no longer be allowed an opportunity to serve in public life and who is expected to be able to live with gratitude on an income about one third of the average.

Yet the proportion of over 60s in the electorate is steadily rising

in the electorate is steadily rising there are now several million of us and, if we choose to act in unison, we could easily determine the result of any election. Those who now treat us with such con-tempt may one day have cause for regret. Yours sincerely,

J. STEWART COOK, 37 Frances Road, Windsor October 4

### The government of Ulster

From Mr David Morrison Sir, Your editorial of September 28 Sir, Your editorial of September 28 on Ulster makes a virtue of the consistent ambiguity of the British Government's criteria for the reestablishment of provincial institutions in Ulster. I can see no virtue whatsoever in such ambiguity and it is more than possible that the gains of the last year will be lost if the ambiguity is not dissipated.

A year or so ago there was ambi-

A year or so ago there was ambiguity about whether "British withdrawal" and the setting up of an independent Ulster was in the offindependent Ulster was in the off-ing, and it was not unreasonable of the Provisionals to believe that their primary objective was in sight. It has been the dissipation of this am-biguity since Roy Mason came to Ulster (rather than any specific security measures as you imply) which is responsible for the fact that Provisional terrorism is now on the wane and Loyalist counter-terrorism has vanished.

But if this improvement is to be maintained we must move on to establish permanent institutions for governing Ulster. And if that is to be done it is essential that the British Government specify precisely what institutions are acceptable and what are not. I see no point able and what are not. I see no point in dropping the words "power-sharing" and replacing them by another vague formulation about institutions having to be "acceptable to both communities" (as you suggest and as the joint statement after the Lynch/Callaghan talks appeared to do) particularly since Jack Lynch and the SDLP assume that "power-sharing" is still the aim.

There are essentially two ways of

There are essentially two ways of providing for the government of Ulster: either a regional authority can be established (to handle those local government matters reserved to the Stormont Parliament by the Macrony reforms of 1970), or else a parliament which doubles as a regional authority can be established. In my opinion there will be no political progress towards the establishment of either of these unless the British Government gives precise answers to the following questions: questions :

(1) Is a power-sharing constitu-tion providing seats in Cabinet as of right for any party who wants them and in particular for the SDLP a necessary condition for the re-establishment of an Ulster Parliament?

(2) If not, what is wrong with the Convention Report? To say that it hasn't got sufficiently widespread support is not an answer since the majority rule constitution contained in it is the only alternative to a power-sharing constitution which has certainly got less support and is patently unworkable.

(3) If a majority rule constitu-tion is unacceptable to the British Government and a power-sharing constitution is unworkable, what is the point in maintaining the pre-tence that the reestablishment of an Ulster Parliament is the aim of gov-ernment policy? ernment policy?

(4) The alternative is to establish a regional authority. Has the British Government any objection in prin-ciple to the establishment of a regional authority with the normal local authority structure (ie, all the members of it forming the executive plus a system of committees elected by majority vote)?

(5) Does the opposition of the SDLP to the establishment of a regional authority render it unacceptable to "both sides of the community" and therefore unacceptable to the British Govern-

If these questions were answered and in particular if the option of a regional authority was unambiguously opened up, we could have a proper debate about how Ulster is to be governed, instead of floundering around in a morass of verbal ambiguity.

Yours, etc. DAVID MORRISON, October 4.

From Mr Cedric Thornberry Sir, In defending the right of northern Protestants to reject re-unification with the Republic, Dr O'Brien takes an apparently correct and principled position. The

Sir. Among the quotations which Sue Reid gave (September 30) from the recent report of the Public Accounts Committee was one which will be read with astonishment in university circles and surprise in others: "It seems to us that, in the country's present financial circumstances, grants which have enabled the universities to maintain their expenditure per student at about the 1971-72 level in real terms, cannot be regarded as having imposed an unfair burden on the university sector."

sity Grants Committee published last March refers to "the severe decline in the value of income per student . . . which amounts to some 13 per cent over the quin-quennium", and gives the decline in the value of recurrent grant and fee income alone as 6 per cent. It draws attention to the fact that the necessary economies have fallen with especial severity on some

essential activities.

For some time now, many universities have been obliged to freeze a number of the posts which have fallen vacant, to cut grants to libraries and departments, and to impose other substantial savings. They are quits prepared, I am sure to make their contributions to solving the country's financial problems, and certainly do not expect to be singled out for special praise for doing so. However, to suggest that the funding of universities has not deteriorated significantly since 1971-72 is incorrect.

deteriorated significantly since 1971-72 is incorrect.

Moreover, it does less than justice to academic staff who labour under a salary "anomaly", acknowledged by the Secretary of State and her predecessor, and who have nevertheless made tremendous efforts to maintain the high standards of our impressions and endards of our impressions. dards of our universities and en-sure that those leaving school still enjoy the same opportunities of benefiting from a university education.

majority do so, I think, because of fear of domination in a state which they believe to be unduly influenced by Catholic clericalism and in which they suspect that their individualist erhos may be deliberately submerged by a different religious tradition. Thus, the ferocious barricades mentality.

But he is, I think, deeply and dangerously wrong to extrapolate from such mistrus; an infinitely intransigent "Two Nations" thesis. Having myself been brought up in the northern Protestant tradition I warrant that the "loyalism" of most of my fellow Ulstermen is an essentially negative posture It is an

of my fellow Ulstermen is an essentially negative posture. It is an expression of our fear of engulfment, rather than evidence of our profound attachment to you. Sir, and your fellow countrymen. Indeed, we may be imbued with an even more sceptical attitude towards the British (and especially the English) than are many southern Carlolics. Consequently, many of us, with consequently, many of us, with a thoroughly confused sense of national identity, which confusion is one of the prime causes of Ireland's unhappiness in recent times. Yet a certain clarification has

times. Yet a certain clarification has come in recent years from our closer association with you. The process has been aided by our realization that the British do not in fact feel that we are their people, and by a greater knowledge of the actuality of the present Republic (about which there has been much northern mythology). It is the view northern mythology). It is the view of many northerners (of all persuasions) that such trend has been impeded by the belief that the IRA is trying to coerce us into unity.

Dr O'Brien, too, retards this gradual process of crystallization, the more than dawning awareness that Irishmen, north and south, Carholic and Protestant, are rather less different than any of us are to the British. But this is only part of the reason for the degree of anger telt in Ireland with him.

His thesis is the more dangerous because of its superficial plausibility, appearing to people like Mr Levin, and to those who desire peace in Ireland, however brief and brittle, at almost any cost. Expressing, in essence, the most conservative and shallow of Irish values it came to be applied by Dr O'Brien and others of his ministerial colleagues with a zealous intolerance leagues with a zealous intolerance quite as uncompromising as the attitudes which he principally castigates (as Mr Arden [September 17] memorably pointed out).

In June, the blesselly perspl-cacious electorate of Chantar granted him fresh vistas of free time. Disdaining their courteous implication, he has continued to preach hellfire and eternal division. May one suggest more constructive outlets for his talented energy? He could help to create the sense of reconciliation between different kinds of Irishmen proclaimed by tinds of Irishmen proclaimed by the new Primate, Archishop O Fiaich. He could encourage us to be glad of and to accept the great richness of our variegated yet essentially unified Irish culture. A professing liberal, he could help to create a climate, and structure, within which the diversity of Irishwhether within a federal Ire land, or in a state in which respect for human rights for all, regardless of opinion, would be the principal cornerstone. We Irish are a forgiving people (as all the world knows): in these virtuous penances sackcloth and ashes might be optional

It seems increasingly clear that there will be no going back in the north. I cannot see how there can now be any lasting peace in Ireland until a modus vivendi is achieved by consensual means for all the people of our nation. However the prospect may appal some in the south, some or later the state of Ireland must fully encompass a blunt truculent northern awkward souad, a million strong. Paradoxically, we may prove better equipped for the experience than southern conservatives like Dr O'Brien, Yours faithfully,

CEDRIC THORNBERRY. Cloisters, Temple, EC4. October 4.

Our universities compare

favourably with those elsewhere and have a major rôle to play in this

country's future. Let us hope, therefore, that the decline is their

resources can now be halted and, indeed, reversed before any irreparable damage is done.

Yours faithfully,

B. C. L. WEEDON,

University Park, Nottingham

October 3.

### University finance

From the Vice-Chancellor of the University of Nottingham

Invitation to Mr Begin From Sir John Barnes Sir, In his letter to you published today, Mr Christopher Llayhew criticizes the British Government for The annual survey of the Univer inviting the Prime Minister Israel to visit this country.

Israel to visit this country.

Would Mr Mayhew object similarly to a visit by President Kenyatta? Did he object to the presence of Archbishop Makarios at meetings of Commonwealth Prime Ministers? This is not to suggest that they are directly comparable. But like them, Mr Begin is the democratically elected leader of his country, with which we maintain diplomatic relations. There is no reason to regard an invitation to him as an expression of opinion, one way or the other, on his earlier actions or attitudes. For the British Government to deal with the opposition in Israel behind the beck of its government, as Mr Mayhew seems to be suggesting, would be an univerself-able. resident to be suggesting, would be an unjustifiable interference in the internal politics of that country, where I served as Ambassador from 1969 to 1972. I hope that a visit here by the Prime Minister of Israel will indeed help to contribute to a peaceful serilement in the to a peaceful sertlement in the Middle East and I feel sure that this is also the hope of the British

Government. Yours faithfully, JOHN BARNES, Hampton Lodge, Hurstplerpoint, Sussex. October 3.

### Marxist concepts in education

From Miss Valerie Pitt
Sir, Professor Gould's methods of protecting us from ourselves are, I think, more worrying than you, or your distinguished correspondents may realise. He names names: identifying by the company they keep or the papers they give, the dangerous academics—Marxists or Liberal Quislings or whatever.

His "blacklist" seems, however, to be compiled withour thyme or reason. A young colleague of mine, for instance, finds himself on it, quite granultously since, as far as we know, Professor Gould has no direct knowledge of him or his work (which is not in sociology) and certainly no contact with the From Miss Valerie Pitt

and certainly no contact with the work of this School Moreover, my-colleague is not, by the stretch of anyone's imagination, a Marxist. Professor Gould's other identifications may, for all I know, be equally random.

random.

The evil here is not simply the injustice to an individual it is already a subtle corruption that I am obliged to defend my colleague. by saying he is "not a Marxist", as though, in the roaring days of Titus Oates, I might have said he was "not a Papist". The word is used (as Gould perhaps intends) not as a description but as an accuration.

And where does that leave us?

Marxism is, and we know it is, an important strand in the European intellectual tradition: we can't leave our students whether in the social sciences or the humanities in ignovance, perhaps a prejudiced ignovance, of its concepts and models. Dr Gould's theory is that, tho' we can't do without Marxists, we must keep them in moral and academic quarantine: his practice is to publish their names as a warning to society. If the odd "innocent" is herded with them—well tant pis. I don't find that much of an advertisement for a Liberal Democratic Society. Neither, I suspect would our students.

students Yours faithfully, VALERIE PITT,
Head of School of Humanities and
Dean of the Faculty of Social
Science and Humanities,
Thames Polytechnic,
Wellington Street, SE18.
October 3

From Professor T. F. Daveney Sir, In the debate concerning, Marxist teaching in education, to proclaim the self evident truth that, in a free society all sides have a right to be heard, or that liberal democratic education is no more free from normative presuppositions than Marxist and is therefore just as ideological or that honest as ideological, or that honest Marxist analysis can be dis-tinguished from dishonest propa-ganda, is woefully to miss the point. The real question at issue is that granted these indisputable facts, what proportional weight should be given within the public educational system of a liberal society, to teaching based on non-liberal values?

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ing based on non-liberal values?

There can be no dodging this issue, for if there is one thing modern philosophy agrees on it is that all education logically implies. a moral/political outlook. Two institutions at least in another, but not entirely dissimilar, context have tried to grapple with this problem of weighting—the BBC and IRA in apportioning air time for political broadcasts. Whether this precise quantitative approach would transfer is debatable, but at a suress if it were adouted we should be hear-ing a good deal less of Marxism in education than we do at present. Yours faithfulv. T. F. DAVENEY,

Denartment of Extra-Mural Studies, University of Exeter,

October 4.

### Lib-Lab pact 'prize'

From Mr Timothy Raison, MP for Aylesbury (Conservative) Sir, Does not the speech by Mr Michael Foot quoted in The Times today tell us pretty well all we need to know about the Lib-Lab 2 ...

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your report reads: "The pact with the Liberals offered Labour the prize of a full majority at the next election, Mr Foot, Leader of the Commons, said lest night." He also said: "We should use the time we have made available by it (the pact) in order to prepare for the moment when we can get a full majority."

We all know what would happen If that time were to come, Socialism, nationalization and the erosion of individual liberty would steem ahead once more and the Liberals would be thrown on one side like so many worn our shoes. To change the metawhich the stock of they are doing the public does. Yours faithfully

IIMOTHY RAISON. House of Commons, SWL. October 3.

### Not yet hived off From Mr John Stockley

Sir, Mr Duggan (September 30) sir, Mr Duggan (September 30) refers to a new problem for British beekeepers. Thrifty Scots also commonly use British standard combs but in frames with a shorter top bar, accommodated in the Scottish national Smith live of hori-Scottish national Smith hive of horizontal dimensions 184 in by 164 in against 184 in by 184 in for the British National hive. The Smith hive is of simpler construction, uses less timber, is cheaper, and stores the same amount of honey. The new width The Times is too narrow even for the Smith hive but the current The Scotsman at 17 in wide divers it well. Hive dimensions have not ver some metric. civers it well. Hive dimensions have not yet gene metric.

Scottish honey sells well south eff size border and we expect to maintain competitive prices.

Yours faithfular.

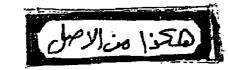
JOHN STOAKLEY,
Chairman, Peeblesshire Beekeepers!

Association.

P.S. Nevertheless I should be glad

traceive my copy of The Times Drumlin,

Crairerne Lane.





### COURT CIRCULAR

BALMORAL CASTLE
October 5: By command of The
Queen, the Lord Wallace of
Coslany (Lord in Waiting) was
present at Heathrow Airport, London, this afternoon upon the departure of The President of Costa
Rica and bade farewell to His
Excellency on behalf of Her
Majesty.

Mr C. J. Cooper-King
The ongagement is announced
between Christopher, only son of
Mr and Mrs J. A. Cooper-King, of
Mrs dependent of Costa
Mrs J. F. Pickering, of Moscat. Oman, and Peeblesshire, Scotland.

KENSINGTON PALACE
October 5: The Duke of Gloucester received Earl Spencer,
Chairman and Brigadier Davies Scourfield, General Secretary of the National Association of Boys Clubs this afternoon.

In the evening His Royal High-ness opened "The Order of St. John of Jerusalem 1877-1977" Exhibition at the Imperial War

Museum. Lieutenant-Colonei Simon Bland

A service of thanksgiving for the life of Lieutenant-Colonel the Hon R. E. B. Beaumont, will be held at St Peter's Church, Machynlleth, Powys, on Saturday, October 22, 1977, at 2 pm. 1977, at 2 pm.

A service of thanksgiving for the life and work of Sir John Charrington will be held at All Hallows, Berkynge By The Tower, on Tuesday, November S, 1977, at

A memorial service for Mrs Finola Shelley will be held on Tuesday, October 18, at St Michael's, Chester Square, at 12.30 pm.

Birthdays today

The Marquess of Bristol. 62; Sir Athelstan Carōe, 74; Mrs Barbara Castle, MP. 66; Sir John Cohen, 79; Mr Justice Donaldson, 57; Dr Thor Heyerdahl, 63; Mr Dun-can Stirling, 78; Major-General C. H. Tarver, 69.

### Marriages

Mr W. L. Eutton and Miss S. Stafford The marriage took place in London on Fridoy, September 30, between Mr Leslig Button, and Miss Susan Stafford.

Mr J. L. Munby and Miss J. A. L. Beckhough The marriage took place on Thursday, September 29, at Caxton Hall, between Mr James Lawrence Munby, elder son of Mrs M. Nanby and the late Mr D. L. Munby, of Oxford, and Jennifer Anne Lindsay Beckhough, only daughter of Dr and Mrs H. Beck-bough of Harrence A reception hough, of Harrogate. A reception was held at Aliddle Temple Hall.

### Latest appointments

Latest appointments include: Mr Raymond O'Brien, clerk and County Council, to be chief executive to Nottingham County Council, to be chief executive of Merseyside County Council in succession to Sir Stanley Holmes, who is retiring.

Mr Malcolm Carmichael, development control ligion officer. ment control liaison officer:
Greater London Council, to be deputy technical secretary (transport) to Standing Conference on London and South East Regional Hill, Sanderstead, Surrey, and London and South East Regional Hill, Sanderstead, Surrey, and Mrs Planning

### Today's engagements The Duke of Gloucester, Colonel-in-Chief, visits the Royal Pioneer Corps, Wootton, Northampton, 11.30.

Opening recital to mark the rebuilding of the organ, St St Paul's Cathedral, Christopher Dearnley, Barry Rose, John Dexter, 6. By a Staff Reporter

The Alastair Buchan Memorial Appeal was launched yesterday evening with a reception at Claridge's hotel attended by among others, the American Ambassador and the High Com-Dester, 6.
Samuel Pepys's Diary, read by Sir Bernard Miles, St Olave, Hart Street, 1.05.
City Music Society, Bishopsgate Hall. Alberni String Quarter, Haydn and Milner, 1.05.
"Period Costume or Modern Dress", lecture, Robert Ersking, Cotteslog Theatre, 7.30: inaugural lecture of annual inaugural lecture of annual series held by British Museum and National Theatre, relating theatre and archaeology. Exhibition of Romanian stamps, Gibbons Gallery, 399 Strand, Walk: Sinister London; meet St Paul's station, 7.30.

Judge to retire Judge Scott, QC, is to retire from the circuit bench on October 31 because of ill health.

A new attack on the concept of state education, and a recommen-dation that all schools should have to finance themselves by charging

fees, are made in a pamphlet pub-lished by the Selsdon Group, the

Licutenant-Commander Noel Paulley, the author of the pamphlet, argues that the present education system should be replaced by one in which parents are issued vouchers. They would be able to cash in the vouchers in payment of fees at the schools of their choice.

"I believe that the key need is for the consumer (the parent) to be sovereign". Commander Paulley writes, "and that the crucial change required is therefore that schools and teachers should cease to derive their income from a captive herd of inxpayers.

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tion.
Lieutenant-Commander

By a Staff Reporter

### Forthcoming marriages

Mr D. A. L. Canhant and Miss J. C. N. McCredie The engagement is announced between David, son of the Rev W. A. and Mrs Canham, of The Rectory. Tadley, Hampshire, and Jacqueline, daughter of Mrs J. McCredic and the late Mr J. McCreadie, of Walton-on-Thames.

The engagement is announced between Christopher, only son of Lieutenant-Colonel and Mrs A. N. Cheetham, of Sollhull, West Middlands, and Heiema, elder daughter of Mr and Mrs T. G. Nilsson, of Kingston Hill, Surrey.

Mr O. R. F. Cox and Mrs V. E. Turner and airs v. E. Turner
The engagement is announced
between Oliver, elder son of Mr
and Mrs F. E. C. Cox. of
Sparrow Hall. Titchwell, King's
Lyan, Norfolk, and Victoria,
daughter of Wing Commander J.
F. Sutton, DSO, DFC, AFC, and
Mrs Sutton, of Haigh Moor, Topsham, Devon.

Mr C. F. P. Gannon and Miss K. E. J. Brook-Partridge and Miss K. E. J. Brook-Partridge
The engagement is amounced
between Ciaran Francis Patrick,
only son of Dr and Mrs James
Gannon, of south Croydon, and
Karrina Elizabeth Jane, younger
daughter of Mr Bernard BrookPartridge, of London, SW10, and
Mrs John Charlton, of Swanton
Morley, Norfolk.

Mr E. L. Hazeldine and Miss C. M. Hurlstone-Jones The engagement is announced between Edward (Ted) Hazeldine, of Val Reuters, Alderney, Channel Islands, and Cécile Huristone-Jones, of The Orchard House, Lodsworth, Petworth, Sussex.

Mr J. Judd and Miss S. Hall

The engagement is announced between James. elder son of Mr and Mrs E. J. H. Judd, of Bengeo, Herrfordshire, and Susan, daughter of Mr and Mrs P. D. Hall, of

Dr W. A. Prowse and Miss F. I. Calvert

The engagement is announced between William Arthur Prowse, of Brancepeth, Durham, and Florence Irene Calvert, of Shin-

and Miss J. A. James

and Miss J. A. James

The engagement is announced between Bohdan, elder son of Mrs Janina Szewczyk and the late Mr Julian Szewczyk, ef Caldey Close, Nottage, Porthcawl, Mid Glamorgaan, and Judith Anne, elder daughter of Mr and Mrs T. Neville James, of Brynteg, Neath Road, Mosstey, Mid Glamorgan.

Dr A. B. Stone and Miss S. I. Wilcsek The engagement is announced between Alan Stone, of Chelsea, London, and Shirley Wilcsek, of Sydney, Australia.

Mr I. M. Thomas and Mrs N. A. Thorne The engagement is announced and the marriage will take place shortly between Ian Thomas and Diana, widow of Nicholas Thome.

Mr M. R. Tollard and Miss A. E. Porter

**Voucher scheme advocated for schools** 

Commander Paulley considers

that there is widespread dissatis-

that there is widespread dissatis-faction among parents with state schools. But under the present system, only a few of them have any choice, those who can pay private school fees, those who can neove to the catchment zone of a good state school, and those whose children qualify for the remaining grammar and direct grant schools.

73 Buy to give for Wildlife

Humphrey Porter, of 8 Mount be said after all for the human geiges View Road. Olivers Battery, eye. The corps was founded in 1925 sure.

Appeal launched for study

"Instead they should be exposed to the competition of a free market in education, and should have to finance themselves solely by charging fees (prices), which would be paid only by willing parents. What the parent needs is to be able to have the last word. The power which would alllow him to say to the headmaster of a school: "I am sorry. I am taking my money clsewhere."

Commander Pauliev considers

same way as other commodities, groceries, for instance.

"The value of this voucher per child would be the same as the state now spends on school buildings, textbooks, teachers' salaries and other aspects of his education. comes from rate and tax revenue, and it would continue to come from this source under a voucher system.

"But there would be one im-

of international relations



Lord Todd, as Chancellor of Strathclyde University, after completion of a new portrait yesterday with the artist, Michael Noakes.

### Luncheons

HM Government
Mr Edmund Dell, Secretary of
State for Trade, was host at a
luncheon beid at Lancaster House
yesterday in honour of Dr A. M. yesteray in house of A. M. Kalssouni, Deputy Prime Minister for Financial and Economic Affairs of the Arab Republic of

Institute of Chartered Accountants

Institute of Chartered Accountants in England and Wales
The Lord Mayor, accompanied by Mr Alderman and Sheriff Michael Hinton and officers of the Corporation of London, was the guest of honour at a luncheon given by Mr Brian A. Maynard, President of the Institute of Chartered Accountants in England and Wales, and members of the and Wales, and members of the council at Chartered Accountants' Hall yesterday.

**Dimers** 

ants in England and Wales

The Company of Chartered
Accountants in England and Wales

Accountants in England and Wales
held their installation court meeting at Trinity House yesterday.

Mr D. S. Morpeth was installed

The RAF Supply Branch
held a reception at the Ministry of Defence last night. Air Vice-Marshal H. Gill, Director General Formation of Engineering and Supply Policy (RAF), and Mrs Gill received the guests.

as Master for the ensuing year and Mr A. J., Hardcastle and Mr K. J. Sharp as Senior and Junior Wardens respectively. At a dinner held afterwards at Trinity House, the new Master presided and the other speakers were Sir Bugh Womner, the Senior Warden, and Judge Clarke Office. Latest wills £50,000 left to art fund Lady Gough, of Chelsea, left £238,115 net. She left £50,000 each to Lord and Lady Gough's Charitable Settlement and the National Art-Collections Scotish

Fund.

Mr David Roy George Batchelor,
of Eastcote, London left £19,211
net. He left all his property
equally between the RAF Benerolent Fund and the RAF Associa-

tion. Other estates include (net, before

Middle Temple awards

Bar Association for Commerce, Finance and Industry
The Lord Chancellor was the principal guest and speaker at the annual dinner of the Bar Association for Commerce, Finance and Industry held at Gray's Im yesterday. Mr E. Martin Jukes, QC, presided and Mr Stephen Stewart, Chairman of the association, also spoke. The other guests included: Lord Scatman, Lord Justice Templeman, Mr Justice Wion, Mr Justice Templeman, Mr Justice Wion, Mr Justice Templeman, Mr Justice Status. Judge Evertt, QC, Sir Henry Benson, Sir Arthur Power and Mr D. SteNelli, QC. Bar Association for Commerce

Judge Clarke, QC.

Service reception RAF Supply Branch

# Observer Corps gets back its aircraft-spotting role

By John Young
The Royal Observer Corps, described during the Second World War as "the eyes and ears" of RAF Fighter Command, but since consigned to underground bunkers, may soon assume a new role: spotting and reporting aircraft movements.

Its members will soon take part in an exercise to assess the value of "visual tracking of low-flying aircraft. The Ministry of Defence is reluctant to give details, but the assumption must be that, after years of taking it for granted that future aerial warfare will be directed from computerized radar and television screens, something may ted from computerized radar and now mans a network of about 1,500 television screens, something may underground posts, equipped with

machines to measure blast pres-

# Memorial service

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and Corpus Christl, Oxford: R. M.
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ESPIETAGORS LAW SCHOLARSHIPS: Miss F. N. Udell Miss F. N. Udell
A memorial service for Miss
Florence N. Udell was held yesterday at Ah Saints, Margaret
Sireet, Wi. The Rev Martin
Shaw officiated. Miss Catherine
M. Hall, general secretary, Royal
College of Nursing, read the lesson and Miss Freda Gwilliam gave
an address. Among those present
were: establish a permanent readership in international relations, to finance visits by outstanding exponents and practitioners in the field and to promote research and scholarships.

Already Oxford University and the trustees of the Higher Sindies Fund have contributed £50,000. Dr Michael Howard of All Souls College, Oxford, to whom any donations should be sent, said last night that Alastair Buchan had been striving to build up the centre of international studies which Oxford so conspicuously lacked, but the promise remained unfutfilled. son and Miss Freda Gwilliam gave an address. Among those present were:

Miss Mary Carpenter, Miss Etriys Rees (President of the Royal College of Nursing), Miss M. Blakeley, Miss L. G. Duif Offanti, Miss M. Blakeley, Miss L. G. Duif Offanti, Miss M. Blakeley, Miss L. G. Duif Offanti, Miss S. M. Scotlins, Tarmer, Miss Shella Quinn chair material and could also be presented to the material of the m Ambassador and the High Commissioner for Canada.

Professor Alastair Buchan, son of the novetist John Buchan, later Lord Tweedsmuir, was the Montague Burton Professor of International Relations at Oxford when the died aged 57 in February, 1976. Illis most notable achievement was generally held to have been the founding and building up of the International Institute for Strategic Studies in London.

The appeal is for £285,000 to establish an Alastair Buchan Fund for International Relations to conspicuously lacked, but the promise remained unfuffilled.

Library Facilities were inadequate, provision for junior research posts, graduate scholar-ford. The fund will be used to remedy some of those deficiencies.

### University news

Church news

Grants

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513,500 for studies on respiration and
oxidative phosphorylation in Surveyor
coccus faccalls, under Dr J. Knowlestications on the interaction of anabotic
storoids and liver metabolism in sheep,
under Dr C. I. Poquon.

The Very Rev Martin Sullivan has been appointed Dean Emeritus of St Paul's Cathedral on his resignation as Dean. Other appointments include:

The Rev G. Barton, Rector of Farnham with Scotton and Staveler; with Cosponer, directs of Ribon, to be (napitaln of Roundway and Devizes Hospitals, diocese of Salesbury.

The Rev J. D. Benson, youth chaoling for he diocese of Salesbury.

The Rev J. Nicholas's Thomas, same of Stavelers of Salesbury.

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The Rev W. Felding. Vicar of St. Chilbert's, Darwen, to be Rurol Dean of Darwen. The Rev A. J. Chilesole, formerty Reformed the Rev A. J. Chilesole, formerty Reformed Leck. Interington, Vicar of St. Arne's, Woodplumpton, to be Vicar of his Manhew's, Presion,

Diocese of Blackburn

# schools. But under the present system, only a few of them have any choice, those who can pay private school fees, those who can move to the carchment zone of a good state school, and those whose children qualify for the remaining grammar and direct grant schools. What is needed, therefore, in his view is 10 treat schooling in the Martyrs' memorial

service

"But there would be one important difference. The dicision on how this money was spent, and on the kinds of education which hoselfore

A memorial to all those who divided at the Reformation by different convictions, laid down their lives for Christ and conscience sake, will be unveiled at a service in Westminster Abbey at noon on Thursday, October 13, by Lady Fisher of Lambeth. The Archbishop of Canterbury, the president of the Roman Catholic Hierarchy Conference of England and Wales and church leaders of other denominations will be present. All are welcome. No tickets are required.

£100,000 winner

The £100,000 Premium Savings Bond prize in the October draw, announced yesterday, was won by 13VP 421520. The winner lives in Stirlingshire. The £25,000 prize was won by 9QK 725880. The winner lives in Glasgow.

Diocese of Canterbury

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# High prices at sale of archbishop's coins

By Geraldine Norman
Sale Room Correspondent
The collection of coins and medals formed by Dr John Sharp in the late seventeenin and early eighteenin century, wifit a few later additions by his descendants, was sold at Glendining's yesterday for 5139,751. Every lot found a buyer.

Very few collections of that amiquity have survived and the pieces minared in Dr Sharp's lifetime were in exceptionally good condition. Dr Sharp was Archbishop of York from 1691 to his death in 1714 and is believed to have begun collecting about 1687.

One of the most historic pieces was the triple-unite minared in Oxford in 1642. It dates from the period when Charles I, desperately fighting to retain his crown, had set up his headquarters at Oxford. It would have been made either from melved-down college plate or gold donated from private sources in support the king's cause. It sold to Hardiman at £6,000 (estimate £6,000).

There was also an unusual run of siege pieces struck during the great rebellion including a Scarborough two shillings and tenpence which made £5,200 (estimate £3,500) and a Scarborough one shilling and four pence at £3,800 (estimate £3,000), both selling to Spink.

The really outstanding feature of the sale, however, was the high level of prices for relatively common coins; prices were often running at two or three times previous levels. Maundy sets ran over the £100 mark for the first time; two sets of 1703 and 1710, eight coins in all, sold for £230 (estimate £90). A Queen Anne sixpence of 1707, which the archibishop must have acquired hot from the mini, brought £135 (estimate £300) (estimate £300). The commemorative medals, although of mixed quality, were selling well up to the recordbreaking levels established in Sotheby's Heckert sale last summer. A James II and Mary medal of 1688 celebrating the birth of Prince James, extremely fine and very rare, made £1,000 (estimate £300), while a good portrait medal of 1680 recording the death of Marshal Schomberg at the Battle of the Boyne made £620 (estimate £300).

Other estates include (net, before tax: tax not disclosed):
Bowles, Mr Brian of Loughton,
Essex. barrister . £205.555
Brailsford, Mr Ernest, of Chesterfield . £120,960
Gresham, Mrs Raie Diana, of
Leigh-on-Sea . £150,495
Kent, Mr Frank Notley, of Blandford, Dorset . £688,309
Stirrup, Mrs Edith Mary, of
Bolton . £196,226

A sale of nineteenth and twentieth-century photographs at Sotheby Parke Bernet in New York on Tuesday saw erratic and sometimes disappointing demand for nineteenth-century pieces, where according to the auctioneers there is still no firmly established market. In contrast there was said to be strong competition for twentieth-century work.

The top price in the sale was \$4,750 (estimate \$5,000 to \$6,000) for a silver print of 1915 by Charles Sheeler of a "Burks County Barn"; Sheeler was at the time one of a circle of avantagarde artists and writers, including Man Ray, Marcel Duchamp and Isadora Duncan. The top price from the nineteenth-century section was \$3,000 (estimate \$5,000 to \$8,000) or £1,714 for a portrait study of the greathy beloved Philadelphia artist Thomas Eakins, dating from the 1880s.

At Christie's yesterday a sale of important jewels brought buoyant prices, totalling £291,425 with only 1 per cent unsold. The sale included an unusual collection of antique jewels, the property of the late Miss E. M. Hodgkin. A Louis XVI rose diamond and enamel necklace was sold for A sale of nineteenth and Middle Temple awards

The Masters of the Bench of the Middle Temple have made the following awards:

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# **OBITUARY** HIS HON JUDGE POLSON

His Honour Judge Polson, a made a QC in 1964. He was leading judge on the Western deputy chairman of the Isle of Circuit, died in hospital at Wight Quarter Sessions 1964-67. Milson George Polson Milson George Polson was
the son of Caleb Polson, of
Senghenydd, Glamorgan. He
was educated at Caerphilly and
London University. He served
on Glamorganshire County
Council from 1935 to 1937 and
on Fulham Borough Council
from 1937 to 1939. During the
Second World War he served
as a meteorologist in the Royal
Air Force in Europe India Air Force in Europe, India, Burma and China. He was called to the Bar by Railway Company. They had Lincoln's Inn in 1947 and was one son and one daughter.

### MAJOR-GENERAL M. W. PRYNNE

Judge on Western Circuit

Mr John Willett writes: Michael Prynne was not merely a distinguished soldier but also a most intelligent, entertaining and continually surprising one, whose character and appearance surely changed many civilians' attitude to his many civilians' attitude to his profession. A descendant of the diarist, he was himself a lucid writer, and contributed reviews to the TLS; he read the Russian novelists in the original, once preached (so he claimed) an agnostic sermon in Gibraltar Cathedral, andhad his Eighth Army magnum opus The Seaborne Hook bound in a delightful cover by Brian Robb; this covered an extremely this covered an extremely efficient compilation of instructions and loading tables based on the brigade landing at Termoli in the winter of 1943-44. He was endlessly curious, dis-

### M. PHILIPPE JULLIAN

R. M. R. writes: I was very sorry to read of the death of Philippe Julian. I hope that his talent as en artist, to which your obinary rightly referred, will long be remembered in the British Em-bassy in Paris. 1953 Lord Eccles, then Minister of Works, offered seats outside Buckingham Palace to outside buckingnam Palace to artists who would record the Coronation scene. Philippe Jullian applied for a seat and did a charming and witty set of small sketches of the Coronation procession. Lord Eccles presented them

to the Embassy in Paris, where 10 years later I put them in a more prominent position, where they gave much pleasure.

LIEUT-COL SIR

JOHN MARLING Lieutenant-Colonel Sir John Marling, Bt. OBE, late 17th/ 21st Lancers, died on September 20 at the age of 57.

The son of Sir Charles Marling, GCMG, CB, he was educated at Winchester and RMC Sandhurst and saw service in the Second World War, being made OBE in 1945. He succeeded his uncle in 1936. the late Miss E. M. Hodgkin. A Louis XVI rose diamond and ename! necklace was sold for £2,700 (estimate £1,500 to £2,000) to S. J. Phillips and an Italian jewelled pendant cameo dated 1580 made £2,800 (estimate £6,000 to £8,000). He was twice married and is succeeded by the son of his first marriage, Mr Charles William Somerser Marling.

covering new species for the Royal Boranical Gardens, bring-Royal Boranical Gardens, bringing back rare chameleons from Kenya and a green snake from Moscow, and decorating his mess dining table with 11 kinds of orchid before the last bartle of Cassino, which he spent at his own request with the Free French Général Guillaume and his goumiers. Though largely tone-deaf (to judge from his after-dinner singing) he later became inserested in intes, making himself so noted an authority that he wrote the relevant article in the current edition of Grove. He looked like a cross between a benevoedition of Grove. He looked like a cross between a benevo-leut Napoleon and the late Evelyn Wangh, with each of whom he had something in common, though he would doubtless have been cruical of them both. It won't be easy to forget his laugh.

cil of the Bar 1967-70, and chairman of the Isle of Wight Quarter Sessions from 1967-71. He was Recorder of Exeter from 1966, and when the Crown

Court system came into operar-tion in 1972, he became honor-

A devote Christian, he devoted much of his spare time

to church work.

He married in 1939, Ida, youngest daughter of George Stephens, a former Chief of Police with the Great Western

ary Recorder.

### ADMIRAL SIR **GUY RUSSELL**

Admiral Sir William Davis writes: Your note on September 27 gave an admirable picture of Guy Russell's long and varied career. Guy was one of the characters of the Navy, imposing figure, very quick in debate and always with a twinkle in his eye when making a pointhaps an outrageous one! But what a staunch character he was, and truly beloved by everybody from the most senior officer to the most recently joined seasman. Very shrewd brain with an almost patholosical dislike of the pompous and second rate, he inspired trust and got the best out of men. In his generation Guy proved himself beyond all doubt one of the Navy's greatest leaders.

The Hon Lady Kathleen Stanley, widow of Lieut-Colonel the Hon Oliver Hugh Stanley, DSO, second surviving son of the fourth Baron Sheffield, died on October 4. She was the eldest daughter of the fifth Marquess of Bath and she was married in 1919. Her husband died in 1952. She was 86.

The Hon Richard Glynne The Hon Richard wynne Lyttelton, fourth son of the first Lord Lyttelton and eighth Lord Cobban, died on October 3 at the age of 83. He was honorary Colonel of the 73rd Anti-Aircraft Brigade RA (TA).

# Sources of British history increased

By Philip Howard
The Royal Commission on
Historical Manuscripts reported
yesterday that, in spite of
financial restraint and curbs on new enterprises, it had maintained and increased its activities last

and increased its activities last year.

The commission was appointed in 1869 to look after the British Archive, taken to comprise the entire surviving corpus of manuscript source material for the country's history.

The portion subject to the Public Records Acts, or indeed to any direct government control except the expert licensing regulations, is small, perhaps between a quar-is small, perhaps between a quarter and a chird of the whole. If the public records provide the skeleton of history, the diffuse and clusive records of institutions and families supply the flesh, muscle, and nerve.

The commission's warrant gives it an overall responsibility to discover where and what those records are, and to promote, assist, and advise upon their proper preservation, storage, and study. It can have no powers of coercion. Its only weapons are those of disinterested advice and persuasion.

Other reports included those on the firm archives of the Family Planning Association and the International Market Group.

In the world of records the term fringe bodies is used to describe the growing number of bodies financed by public funds, whose records for various reasons lie out-During the year 803 new reports

on individual collections of papers were added to the National Regiswere added to the National Register of Archives, bringing the total of numbered reports filed there to 20,554. Reports in especial detail were received on the holdings of the Board of Deputies of British Jews, the papers of Edward Stanley, fourteenth Earl of Derby (1799-1869), Prime Minister, and of Lieutenan Company 1 of Lieutenan-General A. H. L. F. Pitr-Rivers (1827-1900), the antiropologist and archaeologist.

In the world of records the term fringe bodies is used to describe the growing number of bodies financed by public funds, whose records for various reasons lie outside the control of the present Public Records Acts. As soon as restrictions on government spending are eased, the commission intends to institute a

pilot survey of the records of a representative sample of 252 fringe bodies of very diverse functions and importance. Last year the commission was voted £111,110 for salaries, £13,120 for editorial fees and administration, and £5,000 in grants-in-sid.

# Pilot schemes urged for

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Communist infiltration
Mr Galtskell, MP, speaking at
Statybridge, Cheshire, last night
referred to last week's Labour
Party conference at Morecambe.
He said: "The defeat of Herbert
Morrison for the national executive is not only an act of gross
political ingratitude but a piece
of bilind stupidity which until it
is put right must gravely weaken
the party. . . A most disturbing feature of the conference was
the number of resolutions and
speeches which were Communist
inspired, based not even on the
Tribune so much as the Daily
Worker. There is no doubt that
Mrs Braddock was quite right
when she warned us some weeks
ago in the Daily Herald that the
Communist Party had now adopted
a new tactic of infiltration into
the Labour Party. I was told by
some observers that about onesixth of the constituency party
delegates appear to be Communists or Communist-inspired. Communist infiltration

Prince to be president The Prince of Wales is to become president of the International
Council of the United World
Colleges on January 1 in succession to Admiral of the Fleet Lord
Mountbatten of Burma who will
become the first international life
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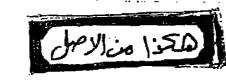
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# Royal Ballet's imperial occasion

Trade follows the flag, and the presence of the Sadler's Wells Royal Ballet in Teheran this week has as much to do with flagwaying as with culture. A special supplement in one of the local English-language newspapers, Kayhan International.
unconsciously put things in
perspective. The big photograph
adjoining an article about the
Ballet showed not, as might be
expected, one of the ballerinas
but a beautiful sleek Rover 3500 illustrating another article
Tuesday night's opening gale
was the first event of an
ambitious British cultural festival in Iran which is spread over three weeks and seven cities. The prospect Players are bringing Hamlet end six programmes of British films will be shown. or british thins will be shown. Concerts include the Acolian Quartet, Heather Harper and no fewer than four military bands. There are exhibitions covering gold, silver and jewelky, both antique and contemporary, also constitute and territor living.

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on October 24 for a fee of man from Covent Garden to E10,000 plus all expenses. dance Lise and Colas. Admir-

usual on such occasions. The Empress Farah afterwards told the company's director, Peter Wright, that she wished she could attend incognito because audiences seem inhibited in their applause when she is present. My own seat in the top gallery of the Rudaki Hail provided a good view of the Imperial box and an unimpeded although somewhat remore view of the top of the somewhat remore view. of the stage, so I can wouch for Her Majesty's apparent enjoyment and that it was well It was the comic dancing that

aroused most enthusiasm, especially Roneld Emblen's cheerfully irascible Widow Simone and Brian Bertscher's puzzled Akain. These two porceramics and textiles, living painters architectare, children's books and other subjects.

Judging by local comment one of the cultural manifestations likely to cause most excitement is the announcement, only just as the festival was beginning, that Manchastan

Excitement was muted at the Baller's opening performance of the company's own equally distinguished dancers are more used to these conditions. But their dancing was smoothly used to make their dancing was smoothly asserted. used to these conditions. But their dancing was smoothly assured, and Coleman rose robustly to the chance of amusing improvisation when the bedroom in which they were revealed together proved to be unlighted.

English followers of the Royal ballet would have found one unfamiliar performer. namely a stallion named Prince Caspian but known to his friends as Caspar.

This handsome creature looked splendid even if his tendency to fall asleep on stage caused his groom some alarm and his other activities contributed, I am told, to the hazaards

backstage.
But in spite of all the usual and some unusual difficulties attendant upon touring, the show went on and the company did themselves and Britain proud. With another programme and several cast changes still to come and then another festival at Salonika, the company is in great heart. It is a pleasure and an honour to be with them.

John Percival

### Play of the Week BBC 2

### Michael Ratcliffe

"Mozart's Requiem", mused the dying Thomas Able as his sister lovingly placed the needle in the groove, "how thoughtful of Sarah. Tactless, but thoughtful." By now beyond speech he for the last days. One of the revolutionary impulse, most unpleasant surprises of What Sarah did not tell the

ing scenes and dramatic de-vices—When would the old boy die? Would his favourite daughter atrive on time? Who would get the money? How much would there be? Why had he given up writing and was he any good in the first place? — but the miserable nabits of a writer tolled mockingly throughout. Only two members of Able's living family

### The Dragon Variation Duke of York's

### Ned Chaillet

What should a mystery play offer? The notion of simple suspense seems to have been bursed with Agatha Christie. Old family secrets and genera-tion-old motivations seem to have disappeared. Money seems to have completely lost its plain attraction. Psychological gamesmanship, a joke to be shared by victims, victimizers and the public, has been the vogue at least since Sleuth.

In The Dragon Variation the first hint of games-playing occurs in the first minute, when Nyree Dawn Porter opens her door to an unknown intruder and begins a cov flirtation. The sinister figure announces that he is neither rapist nor thief, and that he intends to spend the night with Mrs Blake, the widow of a member of Parlia-

That sinister figure is Roy Dotrice who, and I must give something away here, soon appears as a penurious lord of the manor and not long after in yet another guise. Announcing his roles, however, does not give away the plot, for it must first be sorted out why he appears in disguises

There is suspicion of a murder, of course, and the necessary relentless investigator. The dead MP fortunately left a nephew, a muck-raking journalist who spots a bestseller in the circumstances of his

—the sister and a grandson—were presented with sympathy, and when the boy asked Sarah why his grandfather had stopped writing after such success she replied that Thomas had become disgusted with the suc-cessful artist's compulsion to orthodoxy and self-righteousness; writers should remain like criminals and write out of guilt—an echo of Hampton's play about Rimbaud and Verlaine, and that earlier struggle continued to muse as the family to reconcile the conflicting degathered eagerly at the house mands of friendship family and

most unpleasant surprises of What Sarah did not tell the old age, he thought, was that boy (because she had promised you couldn't tove your children her brother to tell no one) was any more. Another, peculiar to that Thomas had wished his him, was "After 30 years of adoring young wife dead every total abstinence, not being able to give up the miserable habits when she died he was desolate of a writer"—and, crash, came and never wrote again. The marthe terrible D minor chord as liage of Thomas and May, seen Christopher Hampton announ in flashbacks, was the core of ced the theme of his play.

Able's Will: deliberately puz-Hampton's first original piece cling, but snarply conceived and for television, Able's Will, was generously supplied with amus. Daniel Massey and Di Trevis, a marvellous actress new to me who had the best-written part in the piece. It would have made a television play by itself, but in the end, even though Elizabeth Spriggs and Dominic Guard, as Sarah and the grand-con, compelled attention whenever they were on screen, there was too much else, and the handling of the relatives, at first assured, became obtrusive.

> uncle's death. When the senior Blake died in a car crash he had with him his new girl friend and his widow seems to know a lot about car mainten-

Robert Kiug gas supplied the raditional elements of a mystery, but in the present foshion he has given greater weight to the games people are playing. Disguises and private kinks are his focus, but, at least with the disguises, he gives Mr Dotrice a chance to demonstrate some well-defined characterizations and a dreadful

Anthony Andrews has less hope of turning his journalist into something worth believing. Apart from a Cockney accent his main attribute seems to be an ability to remember having seen Mr Dotrice as a repertory actor when he was a dramaric critic in Gloucestershire. He recognizes him by the way be holds his back, although a false moustache fools him a little later. Miss Porter is convincional ingly addled and conniving by

Although the last act goes some way to improving the play by bringing the mystifications into the open, the one thing the play never becomes is a thriller. Marc Miller's direction is uninspired, but I would forget that the service entrance seems to be on both sides of the house ar once if he had provided one chill.

Some of the notices on this page are reprinted from yesterday's later editions.

### Focus on van Eyck

The Arnolfini Marriage, by Jan van Eyck, is to be the subject of the National Gallery's next Painting in Focus exhibition from Navagnher 2 to Laurery

being the first day of creation. Anything could happen, like a screen that anything could be

It is this sense of hope, of a

new beginning, rather than any

adherence to Marxism (he

favours eros rather than euro-communism) which has led him to visit Cuba, Angola and his native Chile in Allende's

time. "As a child I knew the terrific difference between rich and poor in Chile. The

idea that these poor people might have a chapce was a grain of sand."

The Chilean junta duly stripped him of his nationality,

but both Cuba and France stepped in, and he now enjoys

their dual nationality. He lives

mainly in a village called Boissy-sans-avoir in the fle de

France, but spends two months

every summer working furiously in Tuscany, and also some time in London. "I go

very far away, but I have these kind of landings in London, Paris and Tarquinia and when I land, I work ": like Leonardo, somerimes from a

scaffold, sitting for a long time in front of a spot and slowly

seeing a figure which corresponds to the curious visions

and structures of his mind.

projected on."

### Choir of St Peter ad Vincula

### Tower of London

# Thomas Walker

### One would have thought the sinister Tower was beyond the fringe of London's musical scene. And so it might have been; but in 1965 the intimate sixteenth-century Chapel of St Peter ad Vincula, within its walls, was restored to its former

position of Chapel Royal and John Williams was appointed Master of the Music, with the task of training a suitable choir. Tuesday's concert was in celebration, a bir belated because of the restoration of the seventeenth-century organ, of the first decade's activity. The repertory was evenly balanced

between choral and organ works and between mainly contemporary French English music. The French proup offered pieces by Durufle, Poulenc and,

most tellingly, Messiaen's pointedly unadorned setting of O sacrum convivium".

Mr Williams included two works written specifically for the occasion, Alan Ridour's The Wheel is a cycle of five anthems on texts as disparate as Cyme-wulf's "Alleluia" and "Easte." by Gerard Manley Hopkins. Perhaps the most striking feature of this pale, decently crafted Gebrauchsmusik is its cratted betrauchsmusik is its accompaniment of oboe and bassoon, inspired by the expected unavailability of the organ. A modestly dissonant, finely textured setting by Christopher Brown of Sir Walter Raleigh's "Even such its time" had present unbetracted. is rime" had greater substance.

Margaret Phillips was the Margaret Phillips was the adroit organist, at her best in the engagingly messy fireworks of Marcel Dupre's Variations sur un Nöel. The choir of 18 had, I understand, been enlarged for the concert. Mr Williams drew from it a fresh, rounded, eminently suitable sound that filled, and sometimes prepriited the churel with its

### The curious visions of Roberto Matta Roger Berthoud tion," he recalled. "That not mean something above rea-"Yet if we close our eyes. we have this strange sense of

quired Roberto Matta, peering down from the balcony of his London house in a beautiful source off Kensington High

Despite the enormous scale of his five rarely seen paint. Tanguy have done things ings now on show at the Hav. which wied to pierce the conings now on show at the Hayward Gallery, on the South Bank, the Chilean-born painter is given to highly compressed utterances, as his opening gambit suggests. He speaks four languages fluently-Spanish, Italian (his wife is a Ferrari, the only Ferrari I can afford "), French and English-and has the surrealist's desire to give words and images fresh meaning. Shake the eye, and check the content of words before use, he recom-

Although he broke with André Breton and his closest disciples in New York in 1948. he is in many ways the last of the surrealists. His old friends Duchamp, Max Erust, Picabia, Tanguy, Breton and Pablo Neruda are all dead. It comes as a pleasant surprise to find that Matta, born 11.11.11, looks much younger than his years, with strong, iron-grey hair framing a very slive and framing a ve humorous face.

Born in Santiago of French and Spanish Basque parents, he left Chile in 1933, became an architect, and worked in Corbusier's office in Paris. Meeting Magritte, Picasso and Miro, and reading about Duchamp, removed his professional indifference to painting. He met Breton and joined the Surrealist group in 1937, but it was his meeting with Duchamp the following year which seems to have had the most lasting effect on him.

"It was very fascinating to me as an architect that there was a man preoccupied with grasping change and transi-

opened up a whole field where lity, as some have interpreted painting was needed, while it. Rather it concerns how the everyone around me was paint artist can help reality to sur-

"Only Marcel Duchamp and ventional, repetitious percep-tion of the ordinary world—as when Duchamp tried to paint the transition of the virgin into a married woman."

Reality changes, and we change with it. How can the painter catch these two changes and fuse them together into a single image? How can he get behind the scenes of reality, capture the essence of its changing nature and, like Blake, convey the two poles of innocence and experience? These in essence seem to be the tasks which Matra sets himself.

"To me the interesting thing is the hidden reality in an object. A spider's web has penicillin in it. An umbappy person: the point is to get to what is making her unhappy, not the tears," he says. Surrealism for him is not concerned with fantastic jokes about the outside world (a la Dah). It is about shaking and breaking the fake structure of superficial appearances. It does ing or creative.

Shepard and Schuman at Open Space

Two plays by Americans will be presented at the Open Space as part of its forthcoming season. Sam Shepard's Suicide in B Flat presented by the Wakefield Tricycle Company, directed by Ken Chubb, opens on October 17, and Howard

such a play years ago; and the second is delight that the sub-

ject has fallen into such good hands.

memories of life in a Harlesden convent school in the good old

days before the Second Vatican

Council, it offers exactly what

you would expect: a form-

mistress with a girlish crush on

St Peter the Apostle; enforced

consumption of dresitivi food;

confession followed by the sale

of raffle tickets; high-pressure indoctrination through blond-

Based on the euthor's

Once a Catholic

everyone around me was paint artist can help reality to sur-ing things which we didn't vive, especially in today's plas-need. "How can one show them reality as it is, not as it looks?" he asks, all too conscious of the complexity of what he is trying to

What, those who have seen his work may wonder, does this bave to do with those vast canvases falled with what looks like the fast-whirling debris of disintegrated space satellites? Like Jung, whom he has never read—despite Jung's champion-ing of the unconscious—Matta tends to move off into a lan-guage of his own, a world of "infra-reality" and of magnetic fields.

But his central point seems to be the contrast between the potential of man's mind and nis social bondage. als sociat obtained in your close your eyes, you manage to see this curious aurora borealis of space moving there, you know, a chain of silent explo-sions like that... At another pole, you open your eyes and you have a body that doesn't belong to you but to society, which is classified, adminis-tered, calculated. As in a beehive, governments want to make us only useful, not lov-

Schuman's Censored Scenes from King Kong, with music by Andy Roberts and directed by Colin Bucksey, opens in-

The Shepard play is a British premiere at the Open Space which, several seasons back, presented the first production of the same author's Tooth of Crime. The cast includes Deborah Norton, Carol Cleve-

freezing threats and radiant

land, and Dudley Sutton. Censored Scenes from King Kong has recently been the subject of controversy between the author and the BBC who filmed it two years ago but never transmitted it. The stage ver-sion is considerably altered from the original tele-play and will contain new songs. The

will contain new songs. The open Space production of the show is being presented in association with Michael White.

Eric and Tania

overfilled, the chapel, with its unusually favourable acoustic.

recitals of hudicrous miracles.
Easy laughs; but what
matters is the quality of the Wyndham's Heidsieck laughter. For all her derision of the system, Miss U Malley New Gallery Irving Wardle never writes out of revenge. Max Harrison Catching up with Mary O'Malley's comedy, on transfer from the Royal Court, the first And the fact that you can admost feel sympathetic to Pat Heywood's Mother Peter or Although it began life as a string quintet and finished as the familiar Piano Quintet Op reaction is amazement that Edna O'Brien did not write John Rogan's jack-in-the-box priest only intensifies their

attenuing power over the girls. Not all of them are individual-

ized; but the ritle applies with

a vengeance to those that are.

Jane Carr, with her prim mouth and uncontrollably switching eyes, epitomizes the general chimate of feverish teenage curiosity being fixuly set on the wrong track. Outside

the convent, Mike Ockrent's

production sets the piece beautifully in period with perior-mances like Daniel Gerroll's

definitively planted and bandy-legged teddy boy. A richly deserved transfer.

34, Brahms never made a secret of his preference for the inter-mediary two-piano version of this work. Thesday's perfor-of the Viennese waltz was mance by Eric and Tania Heidsieck made it easy to under-stand why, even if the bath-

room-like acoustics of an almost empty New Gallery distorted the noble sonority that a pair of modern grands normally pro-

Paradoxically, this mono-chrome medium emphasizes the textural richness of Brahms's thinking, and the sharper-edged attack of which the piano is more rhythmically assertive ideas, as in the Scherzo. Here as elsewhere, Mr and Mrs Heidsieck displayed a secure ensemble and extensive, well matched techniques. Such qualities are needed in Ravel's La Valse, which we heard, of course, in the composer's extraordinary ingenious transcription from the opulent orchestral original.

delivered with an apt feeling of sensuous euphoria, its cres-cendos, each greater then the last, finally producing the effect Ravel described as being that of a fautastic and fate-fully insecurable with the fully inescapable whirlpool".

In between those two asser tive masterpieces came Michel Merlet's Music for Two Pianos, a rather pointlessly noisy piece in a style poised uneasily somewhere between the two world

### LITHOGRAPHS Mobil Concert Season Royal Naval College Chapel, Greenwich Wednesday 19th October 1977 Beethoven 150th Anniversary Wren Orchestra Commemoration Concert: Conductor: Howard Snell Egmont Overture

Piano Concerto No 4

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# No man's hand

Shakespeare, by Hilliard A Portrait Deciphered By Leslie Hotson

(Chatto & Windus, £6.50) The subject of this book is a miniature of an unknown gentleman by Nicholas Hilliard dated 1588, of which two versions exist, one (damaged on the sitter's left cheek) is in the Victoria & Albert Museum, the other, now in Mr Hotson's collection, was formerly in that of the Earls of Carlisle. The sitter is a young man wearing a grey hat with a jewelled hatband, a small lace collar and a black slashed doublet. His right hand is raised heavenwards clasping a left hand extended from a gathering of clouds at the top of the miniature and to the right there is the motto: Attici

right there is the motto: Attici amoris ergo.

Supported by a pyrotechnic display of quotation from con-temporary literature and hand-books of renaissance symbolism, Mr Hotson seeks to demonstrate that his miniature is William Shakespeare at the age of 25 in fancy dress as Mercury (even the perfectly normal Elizathe perfectly normal Eliza-bethan hat is somehow squared bethan hat is somehow squared with Mercury's winged one) extending his hand in pledge of faithful friendship to William Hattliffe, the lovely boy of the sonnets and Hilliard's Young Man amongst Roses to boot, in disguise as the hand of Apollo let down from heaven. If the reader's mind is even now reader's mind is even now beginning to boggle a little at this crude outline of the main thesis it is nothing compared is it is nothing compared decorated with "spangles some of its stranger lines known as Oes". They are pearls iconographical analysis.

Even Hilliard's perfectly normal brush strokes recording the slashing and texture of the doublet are seen to contain meaningful letters from both the English and Hebrew alpha-

As in the case of all Mr Hotson's intriguing books it is full of strange streaks of brilliance worth treasuring even if the central theme can only leave us bewildered. To point out that Queen Elizabeth's famous letter to her Crow, Lady Norris, refers not to the shade of her hair but to her crest, a crow sable langued gules, gives an inkling of the many diamonds buried in this mine. Over the central theme of

the book, however, Mr Hotson has this time really crossed the boundaries of at least my redibility. I have not seen his version of the miniature but I have studied the V & A version out of its frame under intense magnification, It is of fine autograph quality and has none of the features one would normally associate with a replica. It is simply no use arguing that the hand issuing from a cloud is a man's. It is definitely a woman's hand conferming in the state of the stat forming in its stylistic and technical structure with female hands in many other miniatures of court ladies. To maintain also that the hand from the cloud cannot be divine because it has a ruff cuff is also incorrect. Nicholas Hilliard's design for a Great Seal of Ireland shows two hands with ermine cuffs and ruffs issuing from clouds sup-porting the great Elizabeth's mantle. The hatband too is not decorated with "spangles

never varies, a fact backed by a comprehensive analysis of Hilliard's working techniques.

No consideration is given at all to this miniature in relation to Shakespeare's iconography as a whole. There is a fleeting mention of the tomb effigy but the only portrait with any claim to authenticity, the Chandos Portrait in the National Portrait Gallery, is not even referred to.

Who could this miniature represent? The V & A version gives us no real clues, as it came from the collection of Sir Hans Shoane where it was erroneously known as the Earl of Essex. Mr Hotson's own miniature, however, was one of a group of four Elizabethan ones in the collection of the Earls of Carlisle, not a made up assemblage such as the Port-land or Buccleuch collection, but an old family one. All were misidentified until in 1948 C. S. Emden identified one as Sir Walter Raleigh on irrefutable evidence. This minia-ture is now in the National Por-trait Gallery and is about the same date as our Unknown Gentleman.

The clue which might postu-The clue which might postu-late an identity must come therefore through Raleigh, not Shakespeare. Is there in fact a Raleigh Howard connexion? And the answer to this is, yes. Raleigh was friendly with Lord Thomas Howard, later 1st Earl of Suffolk and 1st Baron Howard de Walden (1561-1626). In 1591 Raleigh was appointed In 1591 Raleigh was appointed to serve under him on an ex-pedition to the West Indies and it was Lord Thomas who had sought to reconcile Raleigh with Essex. This Howard was 27 in 1588. His brother, Lord



Enlargement of the V. & A. Hilliard, "Portrait of a man clasping a hand from a cloud ". Actual size 60mm x 49.5mm.

William Howard (1563-1648) was 25 in the same year and it was he who came into Naworth Castle, seat of the later Howard Earls of Carlisle, through his marriage to the heiress of Lord Dacre of Gilles-

No portraits of these two brothers survive for the Eliza-

bethan period but if I had to speculate as to the identity of this smart young man with his rich pearl entwined hatband I would plump for one of these Howards with a preference for Thomas and not for that willo'-the-wisp poet player, Mr Shakespeare.

**Roy Strong** 

# From smoke-filled rooms

The Tory Leaders Their Struggle for Power By Nigel Fisher

(Weidenfeld & Nicolson £5.95) The title of this book does not accurately reflect its contents. Half of these deal entirely with the circumstances under which Sir Alec Douglas-Home emerged as Prime Minister in October, 1963, the process under which Edward Heath was elected Leader of the Convative Party in the summer 1965, and the manoeuvres which were necessary to rep-lace Heath by Margaret Theocher in February, 1975.
Sir Nigel Fisher is one of

the kindest, most generous and most generous minded men whom I have ever met. His outstanding physical bravery is clear from his war record, and his moral courage is reflected in his political career. Men of his quality adorn our parlia-mentary system and it is, perhaps, a reflection on that sys-tem that they seldom get to

Nice people are, frequently, politically impocent and Fisher is no exception. He recognized that Macmillan was determined that R. A. Builer should not sense actuated the campaign refers to a memorandum which smoke-filled ante-ro succeed him as Prime Minister against Alec Douglas-Home, I sent to Sir Alec Douglas-contidors of power.

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millan's final choice was Lord Home. Fisher also recognized that many members of Parlia-ment were manipulated into supporting Lord Home because the Whips went back to those who had given their support to Butler or Lord Hailsham, sug-Burler or Lord Hailsham, suggesting to them that Home was mostly likely to unite the party. But he asks us to believe that this "second round" was the invention of Lord St Aldwyn saying that "Macmillan did little to influence the choice at this stage". There is no doubt that, though physically ill. Macmillan mastermindeed the whole operation. Fisher states that Macmillan was determined that Macmillan was determined to preserve the royal prerog-ative, without, apparently, rea-

lizing that it was not destroyed by Herold Wilson in 1976, but by Macmillan himself, who gave incorrect advice to the When he comes to deal with the resignation of Sir Alec Douglas-Home from the party leadership in July, 1965, and his replacement by Heath, Fisher is too nice to accuse Heath of disloyalty to his leader. He writes "Edward Heath in no came activated the campaign

### **Humphry Berkeley**

intriguing against Sir Alec for several weeks and draws the improbable conclusion "There is no evidence that Heath him-

Between October, 1974, and self took part in any of these activities and I am sure that he did not." Heath is simply not the kind of man to have permitted his supporters to do February, 1975, the Conservative Party was in turmoil, and deep scars still remain. Heath finally agreed to a re-election process and was beaten by Margaret Thatcher in the first ballot on February 4, 1975, who became Leader as a result wishes.

Writing about the position of the Conservative Leader after the General Election of October, 1974, when, under Heath's leadership, the Conservatives had lost three elections out of four, Fisher was "It had not over the second of the conservation of the cons of the second ballot a week later. This trauma is by far the most inveresting part of the book and it is well marrated. While I would certainly agree that Margaret Thatcher is courageous and warm hearted,

leader who had lost the confidence of a substantial section of the Perty would wish to continue in office". Fisher is kind enough to give me some confidence of the property o Nice people should be dis-couraged from writing about nasty ones, since they inhabit different worklis. Too often, in this book, Nigel Fisher resembles a non-smoker in the smoke-filled ante-rooms of the

but he must have known about Home in December, 1964. I it... He did not encourage had, in fact, foreseen that a the activities of his supporters, Leader might well be reluctant but he did not discourage to go. Indeed, only two twenthem." Later he states that tieth-century Prime Ministers Heath's supporters had been have resigned without pressure intriguing against Sir Alec for and in good health, Baldwin in several weeks and draws the 1937 and Harold Wilson in improbable conclusion "There 1975.

I would stup short of endors-ing the dazzling array of talents with which Fisher endows her

# Founding father

Caught In The Web of Words

anything contrary to

says "It had not occurred to anyone when the rules were first devised in 1965 that a

change in the rules under which the Conservative Party elected its Leader, and he

for pioneering the in the rules under

By K. M. Elisabeth Murray

(Yale University Press, £6.95) If asked to compile a list of the seven wonders of English scholarship, most sensible people would award the people would award the Oxford English Dictionary the place at the top. Those who are interested in such things are also aware that the great dictionary had a long and diffi-cult birth. Beyond that until now they did not wish to know more. The harmless drudgery

of lexicography seems an esoteric subject, whose details would be of interest only to professional wordsmiths. Never mind how the Oxford lexicographers made it: thank God that they did.

This biography of James Murray, the first editor and founding father of the dictionary, dispels the misapprehen-sion that this is a day or hermetic subject. His grand-daughter, drawing on the treasuries of Murray letters and the archive of the Oxford University Press, has written irresisti-bly of the mountainous travail bly of the mountainous travail ing profits. None of them that produced the mountainous thought of visiting the Scripmonument of scholarship. It is torium. Benjamin Jowett ima moving and dramatic story (odd epithets, you might suppose, to apply to such a subject), sometimes tragic, often comic, ultimately triumphent. Murray himself took a dim view of the personality cult. and the buzzing swarm of hacks who became interested

after he had belatedly been recognized as the grand old man of words: "I am a nobody—if you have anything to say about the Dictionary, it is at your will—but echo, or an irrational quantity. or ignore me altogether." Pace Murray, it has been our loss to ignore him.

James Murray was the son of the village tailor of Denholm. From his earliest days he showed an insatiable love of knowledge of all sorts, mostly self-taught, from the botany and geology of those beautiful Border hills to his 25 lan-guages, some of which he taught himself while walking bare-foot to school. As a schoolmaster in Hawick he became interested in philology because of the difficulty of teaching English pronunciation to those whose natural tongue was the broad Scotch of the Borders. He removed reluc-tantly to London and became a bank clerk in a vain attempt to save the life of his consumptive

drew him into the inchoate Philological Society, and to editing volumes for the Early English Text Society. He must James Murray and the Oxford have been he most learned bank clerk in the history of Mammon. He resumed schoolmastering at Mill Hill in order to make a better base for his philological work. In 1876 he philological work. In 1876 he was drawn with some misgivings into the job of editing the Philological Society's New English Dictionary. He was misled into believing that most of the work had been done, and thought it would take him about ten years in his spare time. In fact it took the remaining 35 years of his life, working a prodigious number of hours a day, and was still incomplete when he died. He would not sacrifice the stand-

> The birth of the dictionary was stormy, Frederick Furnivall was an enthusiast whose support usually did more harm than good. The Delegates of the OUP could not recognize the glory of the University of Oxford that they were hatch-ing, and fussed about the everreceding deadlines and vanish pertinently tried to teach his grandmother to suck eggs, and altered the title and preface without consulting Murray. The Regius Professor of Medicine told Murray to omit "appendicitis" and other such crack-jaw medical words, on the ground that they would

ards that he set for the dic-

tionary, so he had to sacrifice almost everything else: his time, his health, his family of

11, his own money, his peace

never catch on. Murray sailed on through the storms, faithful to the distant vision that only he and his devoted volunteers could see. treat me as a solar myth, or an At times he became embittered and indulged in a martyr complex, because of the financial sacrifices that the dictionary continually demanded from him, and the lack of academic recognition and encour-agement Bound to never-ending toil, he sometimes wished

the ground that they would

Time has vindicated the amazing wordman. Si monumentum requiris, circumspice in your nearest library.
James Murray set the stan-dards and laid down the guidelines that are still followed by Bob Burchfield, John Sykes, and the other bappy servants of the greatest dictionary that will ever be made. His dictionary is an enduring monument. His life turns our to have been an adventure and an inspiration.

that he had never started.

Philip Howard mour.

# Angel Face

The Making of a Criminal By Walter Probyn

(Allen & Unuin, £4.95)

It was one of Walter Probyn's friends who said to me "The real trouble with Wally is that he reckons he's the only one in step". True? Well, from a first encounter with the law, in 1941, aged nine (when he is sure that he was discriminated against because of his working-class origins), to his working-class origins), to his release on parole in 1974 and release on parole in 1974 and his subsequent re-imprisonment in March of this year, the author of this book never suggests that any action of his was fundamental to his troubles. It is always authority that is to blame and, if this were all that the book contains, it could be dismissed as a classical piece of persecution mania.

But there is more to it. It But there is more to it. It is, anyway, a first-class " read" of escapes more exciting than most fictional thrillers; and

I was shown evidence of malicious damage also by one

prison officer, not so long ago, disgusted by what his colleagues had done. But I have for many years been the recipient of

confidences and complaints and have no doubt whatever that the situation of prisoner vis-vis prison-officer has substan-

tially improved. What has not altered is the utter facelessness

of authority, the total lack of information or explanation of

actions taken by that faceless entity and the desperate, help-

We have not followed the lead of some other countries in this and, reading this book I

find it rings a clear bell in

my mind, while Mr Probyn's

complaints about the Parole

Board (for which I have great

respect, based on experience) underline the frustrating

effects of never really reaching one human being; which make a prisoner, who has nothing else to think about except his

suspicious as to what is being

done behind closed doors and

by whom I once pointed out

the fantastic powers that the

underworld ascribe to the police, even to the length of

believing that the judges take police ruling as to sentences;

and one of the results of not

being told any reason for allow-ing or withholding parole is to

give credence to the current prison belief that it is the

police who constantly forbid

The book is certainly worth

reading. A considerable amount

of salt should be taken with it

the hard, old-fashioned view

that some people are just

unable to keep out of trouble is still true. So it is perhaps wise to suspend judgment on

the author's character and

indeed the somewhat mislead

ing sub-title of his book. His

deductions (even if supreme barrack-room lawyer stuff) are

frequently well worth study

and reflection. They may help

Michael Ratcliffe on the Gros-venor Estate, the latest volume

in the Survey of London; Richard Holmes on Milton and the English Revolution by Chris-topher Hill, Norman St John-

Stevas on Inside Right: a Study of Conservatism, by Ian Gil-

Peta Fordham

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the author emerges as a highly intelligent, articulate and resourceful person—what a waste! The real "meat" of waste! Ine rear meat of the book, however, is the exposure of areas of the penal system open to strong crimcism if, and only if, firm documen-tary evidence can be found to support it. This the book con-nains, albeit at such near-

hees stockeliken paranoiac length that it is clinking eyes. difficult not to sympathize unduly with Home Office officials confronted with missives that flowed in from prisons containing the author. That there is wild exaggeration alien world. about ill-treatment. I have no doubt. Brutality does occur in the unwholesome psychological atmosphere of imprisonment

Sometimes you recognize a friendly face—Hammond Innes, maybe. Mr Helder or Mr Voncegut—writers of style and excellence. Mostly, however, the faces send you scuttering for cover, frightened and bewildered. Adistair Maclean, Erica Jong, Peter Benchley— homific to behold.

What makes a best seller? No, the difficult question is how do you review a best-

# Crime

The Main, by Trevanian (Hart-Davis, MacGibbon, £3.95)

The leopard can change its spots. The writer who goes by the pseudonym of Trevanian hitherto has been the author of highly sophisticated send-up spy thriller, two of them, the second confirming the success of the first, very funny, very intelligent, and perfectly heartless. And now, bang, he has produced a novel that has not an atom of the send-up in it and is warm with life and deep-planted in a real past. That life and that past are those of the Main, a street and district of polyglot Montreal, a city which the author (whom last time out I labelled an American) shows every sign of knowing with all the intimacy of a child its

a long evocation of the Main £3.50). Dying man carries bomb pulsing in its sleazy vitality, towards Russian Embassy. Not-which calls to mind none other than Balzac. And, though there scene give, though you don't is no trace yet of the story we always know where you're are to get, an account of a memorably tough and human police-lieutenant dealing with

Home to make peace

Daniel Martin

(Cape, £4.95)

By John Fowles

our age concerns the reviewer

economic as well as immorral."

I refuse to be intimidated by

The marvative is a menaphor for the more dominant menter of the book—a rovel that Daniel, sickened by the dalling compromise of film work, considers writing. This is not a story within a story bur mirrors set at angles of infinite reflection for it is the manner of Daniel's novel that the primary narrative is concerned to illustrate. Humanism and being English, the declared themes of the book though lengthly explored, are thin disguises for the agonising issue of how far elf should obtrude in fiction.

The problem of English serve is demonstrated by the Fowles's manipulates like god in a book that says there are no gods.

Given such a fiercely self negating background onto begins to appreciate the bray very of Pamiel Martin. It is own cage and simultaneously explain the nature of a cage that creates its own prisoners that cre One of the many scything crit-icisms this novel directs towards the toternic figures of of fiction. "However justified the criticism, it is always infilicted by someone ... who takes no real risks on someone who stakes most of his being, that warning notice—partly because I agree with its general judgment, but chiefly because, in the specific context of this book, it is a touchingly

defiant placard of self-protec-tion. For this is the most openly personal novel John Fowles has attempted and he reserve is demonstrated by John Fowles's switching from first to third person narrative with such controlled uncontrol is a writer to whom the confessional form is so immensely distasteful and painful that the he finally produces both forms in a single sentence. At the point when Daniel decides to 700 pages at has taken to work take Jane to Egypt and decides this problem through must be seen as a measure of the furthermore, that there is only one way to write his novel if it is to have truth, the narrative courage involved, not as flagrant self-indulgence.

A relatively brief exegesis is possible. Daniel Mertin is a successful film script writer. proceeds (ironically) in the third person but the nature of the change is made clear by his cry: "... to hell with eli-tist guilt... to hell with the successful film script writer.
His childhood—solitary, rural, stamped with the guilts of vicarage routine—has made a man whose personal doubting is poorly compensated by the assurance of intellect, abundant arcane knowledge and money. His boyhood and an incident at Oxford where he wakes done to lane tarbandy. imagined that does not say, not only in, but behind the images, the real". He has, in effect, chosen the authorial "I" he

professes to despise.

To a large extent inhibition makes the writer: writing repairs a lack. In John Fowles inhibition is so extreme that much of his work suggests writing—public expression of private obsession is acquaint. makes love to Jane (aiready engaged to Antihony, a Carbolic and future philosophy don) while committed to her sister We make present contact with him as a man in his forces, divorced, involved with an intelligent startet in California, and called home to make peace with the duing Anthony All private obsession—is actually an embarrassment. His testy critical essays and forewords wherein readers who seek anything more analytical than pleasure are chastised, demonstrated than the second seco pleasure are chastised, demonstrate a refusal to be known. Elesewhere (in The French Lieutenant's Woman and The Cloud, a story from The Ebony Tower) he detaches the creator from the created by having the impersonal "I" intrude like the builder of the house leaving his card on the mat. He implies that the writer is a with the dying Anthony. All the idylike Oxford relationships which he broke at the time of his divorce by writing a venge-ful play based on his family. are forced to an awkward reconciliation by Anthony's death. His long held nostalgic belief that it was Jane, not Nell, he should truly have married. implies that the writer is a masked deceiver—Conchis, the

Daniel takes this widowed book is just such a figure, stranger to Egypt with him on man who manipulates like a "script-colouring" trip.

the novel, a superb recollection of harvest time, affords a lyrical glimpse, of the sacres tomb."

But the importance of losi to the writer is a hindrance to the man. Daniel Martin so cultivates loss he prevents any proper development of his human relationships. His decimal to remeet Jane, accept proper development of his human relationships. His decision to re-meet Jane, accept her as she is, foreste a future with her is a major piece of human progress but the loss is silently predicates is terrifying. The contest is life versus artifying the intensely personal nature of the argument makes its conduct too long. Nobody makes the conversation and if John gent conversation is so inclease no object that a larger lovingness the book and the emblemant landscapes of Devon, Cairo, New Mexicon (and the equivocally fruiting wastes of Palmyra) have and assumption of beauty.

This novel is a tour defence, a work of imaginative energy and passionate honery whose occasional flaws are impressively more fascinasing than the small perfections of many another writer.

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At some time in the near the blocks have become realigned by the House America is chums with Russian Will House The President goes over the president goes over the lane and visit his Communist allies Durantic Lane and

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but Mr Safire takes pains the disguise them most subtly in a book, which as the blue of takes are rightly says, can be read and a creatation enjoyed at a variety of levels. In taker, that As an intelligent analysis of a law to fall signer mechanics of the misuse of the mechanics of the misuse of the foreign straight forward exciting points in the near ital thriller it is of the highest quality.

It is the story of the guys and dolls who five in a luxury high-rise apertment block in lane of the sunshine belt of America.

# Best sellers all

The Thorn Birds By Colleen McCullough (Macdonald & Jane's, £4.95) Full Disclosure **By William Safire** (Hutchinson, £4.95)

Condominium By John D. MacDonald (Robert Hale, £4.60)

We are in the world of best-It is a strange, exotic dands-

cape inhabited by strange and cape anisotted by strange and exotic creatures—base, blum-dering, toothless monsers, sleek and scrappy maken cowscontentedly chewing the cud in pastures thigh deep in green backs. And always the air is rent with the horrendous howls of publiciests and agents with

To those of us who write novels that bring in the odd copper or two it is a fearful, The scale is too vast.

The landmarks are unfami-

How do you make sense of

If I knew the enswer to that, I'd be living in the Isle of Man breeding tailliess dogs.

seller ? The three I have now are already coining in thousands and thousands for their authors. Whatever my colleagues or I say will matter not

The only thing to do is apply to the best seller those.

The book begins indeed with

an alley stabbing case, it is totally gripping through all its 14 or 15 pages. And if Trevanian can describe the wide picture so well he is as good too with the sudden thry detail. "hollow-stalked weeds brittle with frost", or "hands so filthy

ing "good read" for the long and the critical standards you would apply to a novel by an un-known vegetarian crofter from Skye or a well-favoured lady winter nights thead.

Mr Safire's novel Full Discours come from the Mr Safire's novel Full Discription 122 closure comes from the well-case American established political thriller as a function stable, an outfit which has produced more than its fair share at the duced more than its fair share at the following of the riband winners.

Once again the writing in the fact products thoroughly professional. Once again the book surges ahead a fact product a cracking pace. At its core is the fact of the core at clever and appealing ideas the fact of the fac novelist from Hampstead.

On that score, therefore, let us say that Miss McCullough's novel is excellent, Mr Salite's is fascinating and Mr MacDonald's depiorable.

And there's the first supprize very little dross and a good deal of gold. The Thorn Birds is very good indeed. The story line concerns the life of three generations of Irish-blooded New Zealander farmers who emigrate to Australia in the 1870s. The principal character is Meggie Cleary and it is basically from cleary and it is basically monther standpoint that the action is seen. Tragedy strikes on the farmstead from all angles this idea that Mr Safire shows the large to considerable skills.

The allegories are chylous that applied that Mr Safire takes pains the large to considerable skills.

the story is told superbly. Miss McCullough deals with the vast carras of characters with assurance. Never for one moment does the pace flag. Never for an instant does her control fail her.

There are times when you re left gasping at her audacsearing love affair between a duality.

The tautness of style, the mission credit point authority of the background set perceived as detail and the suddent in significant country girl and skare so close to slushy the most intelligent and witty and skare so close to slushy the most intelligent and witty romanticism and yet make it totally convincing?

Is it luck or skill? Skill I am certain, for in other aspects of the novel Miss McCullough shows the full range of skills of the mature and doll sand of the guys.

range of skills of the mature novelist.

The descriptive writing is full of energy and colour. Droughts, fires, storms, tempests—they come thick and fast, but how convincing they are and how disciplined in presentation. This is an unself-conscious block-buster of a book. I can only say that I read it with immense pleasure, enjoyed every page and heartily recommend it as a thump

that the skin shines and crinkles". And there are pages

of marvellously vigorous demotic dialogue, all the more salty for its individual Montrealer flavour. I forbear

Only the presence in the same

decidedly learned word, involute, limen, epulotic (My desk dictionary has nothing

between Epsom salts and epyllion), betrays the know-all Trevanian of old. Everywhere

else the book is full of a per-

vasive humanity, perhaps just edging up to sentimentality but

never broaching it. The people, and what a range of them there is from elderly Catholic priest

to 'tit coq tough urchin, from dream-lost Chinese restaurant-owner to unabashed teenage

prostitute, are shown with what it is that makes them tick lovingly laid bare. They have

pasts; they will have futures.

The leopard's spots are heart-

Raven and the Kamikaze, by Donald MacKenzie (Macmillan,

scene elive, though you don't

The Golden Child, by Penelope

Fitzgerald (Duckworth, £495). Misdoings at the Museum. Much good joking, if occus-

ionally in-joking; good writing too, if somewhat consciously so social criticism even, if muted

A Raving Monarchist, by Julian Rathbone (Michael Joseph,

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to quote.

54.50). Two British gays foil assassination of King Juan Carlos, Exciting, well-writen, very good on today's Spain, yet, alas, basically unsympathetic. The Judas Pair, by Jensthan Gash (Collins, £3.25). Warn to know about antique collecting?

to muriciest bottom? Bound ingly excited East Anglia mystery tells all. panel will be Murder Morder Little Star, by a Marian Babson (Collins, 1325) Marian Babson (Collins, 22.00) Marian (Collins, 22.00) Marian (Collins, 22.00) Marian (Collin in Britain and murder ensues. Fun and surprises from Page One on, and watch out for

The Aberdeen Communicium, by Angus Ross (John Long, 53.50) Oil-rig sabotage. Something always happening between short interludes for bright banter and hearty earing 16's a good

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# THE TIMES **BUSINESS NEWS**

Mr Murray Hofmeyr, Charter's chairman: Cleveland " crucial".

Setbacks hit

Potash mine

Extensive safety requirements have been ordered at the joint

Cleveland Potash mine in York-

shire after a severe gas blow-out recently in which a miner was killed.

Earlier this year Mr Murray Holmeyr, Charter's chairman, stressed the crucial role of

Gas blow-outs were first en-countered in the middle of last

ear. Since then there have been about five, of which the last was the most serious. Not very much is known about the problems and inci-

dence of gas pockets in potash mines, and the Mines and Quar-

ries Inspectorate, which is under the control of the Health and

Safety Executive, is taking an

active interest in progress at

The latest blow-out occurred

when a "continuous miner"—a

large elongated drill-was being

used on the rock face. A heavy build-up of "case" behind in

the rock face resulted in a

blow-out and the operator of the machine was killed when

flying rock crashed into his

It was found that there had

previous experience that gas

build ups are associated with

Immediately after the blow-out the Inspectorate ordered

that the continuous miner should be used only on the lower part of the rock face. The order was later rescinded.

However, the Inspectorate has now ordered that the seam

must be tested well in advance

drilling up to 100 yards into the rock to check for any gas boild-up and for evidence of

The mine has been plagued with problems since its incep-

Capital costs of the mine

have rocketed and are now in excess of £105m. The mine is

is operating at only a third of

rated capacity.

The mine is not so much of

still losing money heavily

shale intrusions.

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Consolidated/ICI

Cleveland

By Desmond Quigley



Brae oilfield

out of depth

on forecasts

The Brae field lies 175 miles

out into the North Sea, east of

the Orkney Islands, and is the

kind of reservoir that gives oil

prospectors constant night-

mares. One minute they are

probing prime oil-bearing rocks

explorers

# Bank of England's signals uggest minimum ate. The opening opening opening opening the ending rate cut to 5½%

A cut from 6 per cent to 51 cent in the Bank of gland's minimum lending e looks a strong probability the Bank made ar to the discount market merday that it still wished to

nd trend in interest rates, aminude appears to be far are relaxed than last week en it pressed strongly for apporary stabilization.
The main reason for the mk's apparently more relaxed

inde is probably two-fold.

It there has been the conuing inflow of money across ys, albeit that this flow was isiderably less strong yester-y than on Monday and

Second, the Bank could well that this is not a good the ke to my to stand our too onely against market forces. This week's Treasury bill der the average tender te normally holds the key to Reis relatively small at 10m and therefore rather are difficult for the Bank to the discount market the discount market.

on Our Economics

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Advisors, said at the

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arter aide opposes

Jacks Guigher interest rates

Treasury bills were trading on a basis of 41-5 per cent, consistent with MLR being set at 51 per cent. But rates at the tender itself often fall slightly below tracks. below market rates.

Were the Bank to be unhappy about the result of tomorrow's tender it does, of course, retain the option exercised earlier to year to set MLR at the rate of

Any further fall in MLR this week is bound to put fresh pres-sure on the clearing banks to take another look at their base rates. Despite the last cut in base rates to 7 per cent, bank lending rates still stand relatively high over money market

Yesterday's moves by the Bank were well received in stock markets. Short gilts had a good session, often finishing with gams of 50p or more. Long gilts recovered early losses and generally finished with small net gains.

Barclaycard: Barclaycard has standing balances from 2 to cent.

11 per cent a month (Ronald Pullen writes). The reduction which is effective immensates, brings Barclaycard on to the same footing as Access, the rival credit card operation, whose cut was announced two weeks ago but came into operation from the start of this

With an eye to any possible easing of credit restrictions should the Chancellor decide to stimulate the economy next mouth, Barclaycard repeated its month, Barclaycard repeated its plea for a reduction in the monthly repayment schedule which was trebled almost four years ago to 15 per cent of the balance outstanding or £6, which ever is the greater, claiming that without this "it seems unlikely that interest rates could be further reduced." It still appears, however, that Barclaycard is considering ways to undercut Access. One possi-

to undercut Access. One possibility is to introduce a standing charge for the use of the card. This has been shelved for the time being but other means of introducing fixed charges are being actively considered. Yesterday's cut brings the

true annual rate of interest down from 26.8 to 23.1 per

# Pound still gaining

simistic about the payments outlook. The Mellon Bank states in its latest economic forecasts that next year's trade deficit is likely to be close to this year's record \$27,000m, while the current account def-

as large as this year's esti-mated \$15,000m". Economists here including some in the United States government, are even more pessimistic. Some are also reviewing their payments casts for next year in the actions with regard to President Carter's energy pro-

icit in 1978 "could be nearly

These actions suggest that

s year in his attempt to conce President Carter to press

The outlook is all the worse now that President Carter has declared that the United States Senate's vote in favour of natural gas price deregulation was "unacceptable" and he might veto energy Bills sent to him by the Congress.

The Carter Administration does not appear especially con-cerned about the rising balance of payments deficit, atthough Mr Michael Blumenthal, Secretary of the Treasury, is no longer making statements that suggest that he would like to see a decline in the dollar's exchange rate. But deep con-cern about the balance of pay-ments is now surfacing within The rise in American in-est rates is seen as attract-foreign capital inflows that

the Congress. Economic Notebook, page 23 | appreciate.

# on the dollar the continuing deterioration in the United States balance of

Sterling had yet another good day on the foreign exchanges yesterday, strengthening to 62.5 on the trade-weighted effective exchange rate in the morning, although it subsequently fell back to close at Tuesday's level of 62.4.

13-month high of \$1.7573 against the dollar. This was despite some further intervention by the Bank of England which, ever, was on a smaller scale than the previous two days.

The prospect of a further cut in minimum lending rate did not seem to dampen demand for pounds, although there was a significant easing off in cur-rency inflows after the last drop in MLR.

Officials seem to believe that much of the recent upward pressure on sterling is a direct result of the doller's weakness.

Any funds now leaving New
York for London are likely to
be especially volatile.

The dollar continued to be

sold on a fairly large scale, although the markets were generally much quieter than on Monday and Tuesday. It closed a little bigher against the Deutsche mark at DM2.30, and very slighely weaker against the yen at 260.75 and the Swiss franc at 2.335.

Firmer American interest rates helped the dollar, although the markets are still expecting some further fall in the ex-

The focus is on the Japanese yen. Mr Morinaga, the governor of the Bank of Japan, denied that there was a secret agreement to allow the yen to

# Pressure mounts for Washington action to restrict steel imports

States is at an end ".

A somewhat blunter attitude was expressed today by Mr John Connally, the former Secretary of the Treasury, who told reporters that "the Carter

Administration is going to have to recognize that Japanese steel is pouring into this coun-

try because other countries won't let it in ".

a special task force swiftly to investigate whether the com-

plaints of unfair foreign com

petition are valid. The task force, which is headed by Mr Anthony Solomon, the Under-Secretary for Monetary Affairs

at the Treasury, will probably complete its initial investigation

within 10 days.

The Administration's hostility

to the steel industry is partly because of the decision by lead-

ing manufacturers to raise their

ated the President, especially as

to show restraint in price in-

President Carter has ordered

Washington, Oct 5

The Carter Administration is facing mounting pressure to restrict steel imports. But it has so far taken no diplomatic action suggesting that it believes restrictions are necessary. according to informed sources American steel importers be-lieve that the EEC and Japan might amounce voluntary re-strictions on steel shipments to the United States within two weeks, but diplomatic

sources suggest that this is most unlikely. Indeed, these sources note that there is considerable hostility within the Administration toward the domestic steel

industry and little willingness to look with sympathy at com-plaims about foreign manufac-Pressure on the Administra-tion, however, has been signifi-

cantly increased now that Congressman Charles Vanik, the chairman of the Trade Committee of the House of Representatives, has written to the President calling for restrictions.

He stated in his letter that
the time for maintaining a "the time for maintaining a creases to keep inflation down.
'holier then thou' artitude on In addition numerous top trade restraints while other officials believe the level of

Ford will import cars to cut order backlog

Ford has told workers at its big Dagenham plant that it will start importing up to 130 cars a day from Belgium and Ireland to help to meet a backlog of orders in Britain caused by failure to achieve production

Last night a Ford manage-ment spokesman said: "It is a case of either bringing in cars which have a high proportion of British-made components or losing sales to foreign manu-facturers."

concerns Cortina sales-and to a Jesser extent the Flesta model It has a backlog of orders for about 80,000 of these cars worth well over £200m. The only way it can now hope to clear this is by "topping

up" its production at Dagenbam with cars assembled at Genk, Belgium, and Cork, in the Irish Republic. Its Irish assembly operations are based entirely on com-ponents made in England. The cars are shipped out knock-down "form, and

are sold in Ireland or go for export to other parts of the

drive cars; so it too will have to take some Cortina comfrom Dagenham.

Ford's intention to import cars at a rate which represents about 10 per cent of its production requirements from the British operations was announced in a letter to workers at the Dagenham body plant from Mr Mike Stagg, the plant director.

It was clearly intended to achieve two objectives: to underline the need for greater productivity and to defuse a potentially explosive situation had news of the imports simply leaked out to the shop

The management enokeems "The plain fact is that we have not been achieving the production levels we want at Dagenham. We need to produce about 1,100 cars a day been getting less than 1,000.

"We have tried to boost out-put by introducing a Saturday overtime shift, but on four Saturdays we have had an lines. Normally these models

are sold in Ireland or go for export to other parts of the will be imported. Ford has not yet made a firm decision about bringing in Fiestas from its mormally make right-hand Spanish plant.

# Leyland stewards meet

Leyland Cars shop stewards, representing 75,000 members of the Transport and General Workers, meet at Eastbourne today a problem for ICL, but a certain to have another look at the amount of prestige as far as Charter Consolidated is con-Company's proposals for indus-trial relations reforms. cerned is riding on the opera-tion eventually becoming successful, after two very costly mining failures in Africa.

The main issue, which has already brought the TGWU into

proposal for one company-wide bargaining unit.

Meanwhile, production of the Marina was again disrupted at Cowley. Oxford, when a small group of paint shop workers continued to resist new work assignments to boost produc-

capacity in seed to the United tinual determination of domestic steel manufacturers to raise their selling prices, despite declining demand. These officials believe the industry is now seeking protection from imports to enable it to raise domestic prices again.

The Congress may strive to omote protectionist legislation of its own on behalf of the steel industry, but it is most unlikely that such legislation could be seriously considered

gressmen who now support ports also strongly support pro-gress in the new General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade talks and they admit that protectionist legislation could gravely undermine the negotiations.

Mr Vanik called for voluntary export restraint by the major foreign steel manufacdomestic selling prices just before President Carter's in-auguration. This move infuriturers so that imports of steel here are reduced to 18 per cent of domestic consumption Mr Vanik also proposed that the import volume be allowed to rise if domestic steel reducers increased their selling prices by an "inordinate" he had called on all comparies

Big success

Crofty offer

time in more than 50 years of

a base metal mine in Britain has met with considerable success.

The offer for sale of 35 per cent of South Crofty, the Cornish tin mine, has been subscribed some 45 times.

All applications are being

heavily pared down, with the

accent placed firmly on en-abling the smaller investor to

Terms of the allotment of shares are a weighted ballot of up to 10,000 shares for 200

shares, and all applications for

a larger number of shares will be cur down to 2 per cent (with a minimum of 200 shares) in

holders in South Crofty, parti-cularly since there had been

considerable interest in the for-

It is widely believed in the City that when dealings begin,

the shares, which have been offered at a price of 50p each,

will immediately attract a mini-mum premium of 10p, while 20p

is not considered to be exces-

At the issue price the shares yield a prospective 12! per cent on the proposed dividends.

Crofty has come to the market at a time when the tin

price is almost daily reaching new high levels. Yesterday it

rose to a record £6,945 a tonne.

Cornish community.

tune of the mine from the local

participate in the floration.

By Our Financial Staff

of South

that yield over 33,000 barrels a day, and the next they are Moreover, many of the Condrilling into areas that don't produce enough oil to warrant detailed testing. So it is hardly surprising that Brae has been dubbed variously as the biggest oilfield

yet found in the North Sea and a disappointing discovery well down the North Sea rankings. The extent of uncertainty over the field can be measured by the fact that Pan Ocean, a subsidiary of Marathon Oil and operator for the group, is now drilling the 10th and 11th appraisal wells on the structure.

and has still not made an official announcement on the likely size of the field. The problem facing the exploration consortium (Pan Ocean, the British National Oil

Corporation, Bow Valley, Kerr McGee, Ashland L. L. and E., is that Brae is a long straggling submarine structure, divided into three and riddled with areas where the oil-bearing rocks have a very low permeability. Public floration for the first

The ninth well was not worth testing, while the other eight produced over 33,000 barrels a day—as much as an entire field in some areas of the world -typical of the pattern of the exploration effort. Well one flowed over 22,000 barrels a day and was followed by three moderately successful efforts and then four extremely dis-appointing drillings.

According to some of the explorers there is plenty of oil in Brae. Difficulties arise over how much of it can be got out at an economic price. Unofficial estimates vary from partner to partner. Mr Harold Hoopman, Marathon's president, is on the record as saying that 500 million barrels can be

South Crofty expects to send out letters of acceptance and regret next Monday, with deal-ings beginning the following day. A further announcement In the early days of the exploration effort, estimates of 1,000 million barrels of reserves were commonplace, although In floating off part of South Crofty, Saint Piran, the parent there are currently reports circulating among the members of the consortium which gloomily suggest that only 200 million company, had made clear that it favoured having a consider-

barrels may be recoverable. Whatever the final reckoning. some of the partners feel there is a lesson to be learnt for the whole of the North Sea exploration effort from the Brae field.

"Gone are the days of the Forties and Piper fields where the oil flows easily and cheaply. In future new discoveries are more likely to be similar to the complex geology of Brae and provide the prospectors with similar headaches when it comes to proving the reserves and devising development programmes," one consortium member observed.

Roger Vielvoye

# New panel of top economists starts work

Melvyn Westlake The new, high-powered panel academic economists set up the Bank of England to help bridge the gulf between eco-nic theorists and practiners was formally in-guaced yesterday. It represents a wholly dif-ent kind of institution to

Pele I whing existing in Britain and pele I while some state of the country's a known academic economists a eight or 10 economists
was from within the Bank.
It is intended that the group
It discuss over the coming
onths issues of key importance Britain's future economic magement, such as implicachange rate of the pound and appropriate role of mone-

consultative rather than advisory, and is likely to change in a chief adviser; Mr Michael composition depending on the subjects to be discussed.

Charles Goodhart, who is also a chief adviser; Mr Michael Thornton, chief of the Bank's Economic Intelligence Departcomposition depending on the Thornton, chief of the Bank's subjects to be discussed.

Yesterday's meeting, which ment, and Mr Panic, a contract was attended by Mr Gordon economist who recently began a Richardson, the Governor of two to three-year engagement the Bank, and lasted from 10.30 with the Bank. the Bank, and lasted from 10.30 until midday, was largely concerned with the procedural rechnicalities. The next one, probably to be held early next year, wall get down to the real business of the panel.

As well as the Bank Governor, the meeting was attended by Mr. Issuer Hollam, the

John Fforde, its home economic directors.

appropriate role of mone-directors.

Also present were Mr John the Department of Applied However, the panel will be Page, the chief cashler, Mr Economics, Cambridge.

The academic economists will

be coordinated by Professor Robin Matthews, Master of Robin Manthews, Master of Clare College, Cambridge.
Other members of the panel included Sir Alec Cairucross, Master of St Peter's College, Oxford, and a former thick by Mr Jasper Hollam, the economic adviser to the Governdeputy governor, Mr David ment; Mr Michael Posner, a
Walker, the chief economic former deputy chief economic
adviser to the Bank, as well as adviser, and Mr Wynn Godley,
Mr Christopher Dow and Mr who has also acted in an who has also acted in an advisory capacity to the Gov-

# Low sales cut production of substitute tobacco

By Patricia Tisdall
Disappointing sales of cigarttes containing substitute obacco have caused Imperial Tobacco to cut back operations at its New Smoking Material factory at Ardeer,

Rationalization will involve the loss of about 50 jobs, nearly a half of the workforce. Production at the factory in which Imperial has invested about £15m, including about £2m of Conservant development Government development grants, has been reduced to the "minimum practical level". When substitute tobacco was publicly launched in July, the companies had hoped that cigarettes commining substitutes would gain 5 per cent of sales. In the event, despite intensive publicity, costing collectively an estimated 17m, the new cigarettes failed to meet their targets.
It became clear that few

smokers were interested in even sampling the new product. Present estimates are that they are being bought by fewer than 2 per cent of smokers.
In a statement to employees at Imperial's NSM factory yes terday, Mr L. T. Rome, the general manager, blamed the megative influence of the Maler Willerston Councille

substitutes" for the poor response to the new cigarettes.
He declared: "This cam paign by a government financed and appointed body has con-fused the smoking public and seriously damaged confidence in a widely researched, first class and innovative British pro-

"Imperial Tobacco retain their confidence in NSM and believe that in the longer term cigarettes containing it will command an increasing share of the United Kingdom mar-

In the meantime considera-tion of expected demand and levels of stock show that nothing more than minimal production is likely to be required during 1978.

NSM was one of two tobacco

substitute materials cleared for public sale by the Humter Committee. It was developed jointly by Imperial Tobacco and ICL. The plant at Ardeer is designed to have a production of 13,600 tunnes a capacity of 13,600 year, roughly equivalent to 15 per cent of all the tobacco used cigarettes in the United

Kingdom at present. The other tobacco substitute, used by Galiaher and Carreras Rothmans, is Cytrel, and was developed and manufactured by the American Celanese Corpora-

Lower profits in the second half of the current year were forecast yesterday by the ship-ping group P & O, after a rise from £13.3m to £26.9m in the first half. That included a £5.9m credit resulting from a successful claim by a Bovis sub-sidiary which is year of the sidiary, which is part of the

# non-commercial

A well drilled west of the Shetland Islands by the French oil company Elf found noncommercial quantities of gas,

Elf, operating for a group which included the British Narional Oil Corporation, Gulf and Conoco, drilled the well in the area where British Petrolemm made the first oil find west of Shetland earlier in the

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A statement by Lord Inchcape, the chairman, said the group would not reach the same level of profits as was achieved in the first half Financial Editor, page 23

## **Montefibre** plans to make 6,000 redundant

loss making synthetic fibres sub-sidiary, has advised the unions of plans to make 6,000 workers redundant, and pull out of a number of companies in which it had significant participations in order to cut losses, the Trade Union Federation said here

The Montelibre announce ment follows a statement last week outlining the company's financial position, arising from the world fibres crisis and internal problems.

Unions had told the Govern-

Unions had fold the Government they refused to negotiate with the company on the basis of such unacceptable proposals, the Union Federation said.

Montedison group workers will strike on October 7 in protest against the proposals, the federation added.

The companies from which

The companies from which Montefibre proposes to with-draw include its Sardinian Fibres joint venture with Anic SpA, the state chemicals group; Chimica e Fibra del Tirso, and a number of textile and clothing concerns in which it had financial interests, the federation said.—Reuter.

### **Cutlery** import quotas urged to save 10,000 jobs By Stephen Goodwin

An application to the Gov ernment for a global quota on cutlery and silverware imports which would give United Kingcent share of the home market is being sought by the Curlery and Silverware Association.

Without rigorous restrictions the association fears the stainless steel flatware industry could go to the wall, taking with it some 10,000 jobs, most of them in Sheffield.

In 1965 imports claimed 30 per cent of the home market. Today nine out of every 10 stainless steel table knives, forks of strong arguments advanced by the company that the off terminal was vitally necessary in the national interest. and spoons sold in the United Kingdom are imported. By value imports have risen from 25.02 per cent in 1965 to 77.55 per cent last year.

The dominant force in recent years has been South Korea, which is taking 39 per cent of the United Kingdom market by volume. Japan takes 21 per cent and Hougkong 19.5 per cent. After the EEC (4.25 per cent) and others have taken a small slice Eritish manufacturers are left with 12 per cent.

Mr Brian Viner, president of the association, said it wanted the Government to take action or at least declare "once and for all that they will not move at all and that they are pre-pared to risk sacrificing an industry and a further 10,000 people to the rapidly escalating numbers on the dole.

The association is calling for a five-year restriction of im-ports of stainless steel flatware and table cutlery, together with their blanks, to about 40 per cent of the market by value car engine in terms of fuel for improving petrol consumption.

time in our history.

lop in all its activities."

Capital and reserves Net assets per share

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Net earnings

# 'Hard decisions ahead' BSC chief says as weekly losses soar to £7m

Industrial Correspondent Employees of the British Steel Corporation, where weekly losses have now soared to over 27m, have been warned to over £7m, have been warned that the BSC wil be forced to take some hard decisions in the months ahead, if the state steel undertaking is to emerge from the present crisis in a modern and profitable shape. Sir Charles Villiers, who took

over as chairman, a year ago, has written an open letter to the corporation's employees, published in the latest issue of Steel News, the corporation's newspaper, in which he stresses that the steel industry throughout the world was in a bad

capacity as enormous, prices very poor an doosts were rising.

The next upturn in the steel cycle, he said, was not expected to provide much of a boost, and

Shell talks

on Anglesey

oil terminal

the financial arrangements made

One of the main arguments

on an amoral basis rather than

of minimum guaranteed pay-ments should be accepted on a

A memorandum submitted to

the oil company yesterday said that Anglesey, heavily depend-

ent on tourism accepted Shell's

project despite the potential pollution risk and on the basis

Anglesey provided Shell with

a port authority on terms sub-stantially more favourable to

the company than it could have

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the council as to Shell's material

advantage in that it enabled the

company to control the design

construction, cost and operation more effectively and cheaply.

obrained elsehere.

with the council in 1973.

the corporation faced some no doubt that the organization years of hard times. Every would succeed, Calling for a tonne of sales would have to be year of "precise performance" fought for and delivery, quality

and price would be essential to preserve the business. "Those of our plants which old and expensive to run inevitably come under heavy pressure, and there are some hard decisions in front of us ", said Sir Charles. Aiready the BSC has implea programme

memen a programme or temporary works clousres, curbacks on new capital investment and voluntary redundancies in a bid to reduce the Josses. Whitehall officials re preparing contingency plans which could involve further curbacks in spending on new plant an da re-structuring of the corporation's finances.

The BSC, he said, would survive by continuous effort and determination, and he had

quality. In a message directed par-ticularly to full-time officials of steel industry trade unions, he stated: "In this situation the old habits of confrontation no longer apply. Your members, our employees have to suffer unless both of us encourage precise, diligent, intelligent flexible performance under the excellent consultative arrange-

year of "precise performance" the corporation chairman urged employees at all levels to be conscious of the need to ensure

that customers were satisfied with delivery dates, prices and

# Benn guidelines put to Paris energy meeting

From Ian Murray Paris, Oct 5 Shell Oil officials were told yesterday that Britain's only municipally-owned oil terminal was yielding financial returns considerably below that projected bythe company in 1971.

Britain's North Sea or potential allowed Mr Benn, Secretary of State for Energy, to adopt a somewhat patronis-ing air when he addressed the International Energy Authority governing board here today.
The meeting has been called to agree a communique designed to solve an energy crisis forecast for 1985.

At yesterday's meeting of the Anglesey Marine Oil Terminal Committee, Shell officials agered to meet a panel from the Isle of Anglesey borough council to discuss a review of Mr Benn, flying over for the day from the Brighton Labour Party conference as it discus-sed the European Community, put forward was that an infla-tion review should take place joined the other 18 energy ministers from the member nations of the IEA, for their

He apologized for his short visit and made five main The first was to give a warn-

ing against too much reliance on forecasts. He produced several compiled by the Organization for European Cooperation and Development, within which the IEA is set up, which had been shown to be wrong over the years. There was every need, he said, to update them regularly.
Secondly, he told the meeting

that energy demand and supply could not be considered properly unless the whole world, rather than the 19 countries of the IEA, was taken into consideration. From this came his third point: that the United Nations had an important role to play.

Each country had to develop

its own energy policy in its own way. Britain, he said, had always done things by following guidelines and not by legislation or by setting targets. Every country had to implement its energy policy in the light of

ts own experience.
Finally, he called for greater openness in energy discussions. There was no point in holding meetings behind closed doors similar to the one he was addressing and then complaining that the public had no idea what it was talking about on the energy question.

Mr Benn welcomed the idea of regular top-level meetings between energy ministers, but emphasized his belief that they should be held publically so that everyone knew what was going

Behind his stand lies the British view that no TEA ruling —however much the Govern ment agrees with it-should be manister abdicate control over his country's policy. Britain has told the Agency

that it is already following the main points to be set out in tomorrow's communiqué and will not take too kindly to any suggestion that North Sea oil should be subject to any deve-lopment controls other than those imposed by the Govern-ment itself The target was to reach self-

sufficiency in oil as quickly as possible, probably by 1985, and then to formulate a depletion policy as will then seem best.

# Target of 50pc economies in motor fuel

By Roger Vielvove
Energy Correspondent
A 50 per cent improvement
in fuel consumption by cars
could be achieved, and should be the target of the oil and motor industries over the next decade, Mr H. B. Greenborough, deputy chairman and chief executive of Shell UK, said last

"Before tax the total profits of the group are well

in excess of the £10 million mark for the first

Shareholders funds have increased from £28

The group's operations have continued to deve-

million last year to almost £42 million.

low" he told the annual dinner of the Council of British Manu-facturers of Petroleum Equip-ment in London, Traffic volumes were expected to grow between 70 and 80 per cent by

the end of the century,

These problems were being sturied at the Shell Research Centre at Thornton, in Cheshire, where fuel scientists had identi-

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iubricants, and 5 per cent from insproved iubricants, and 5 per cent from higher maintenance standards, But he gave warning that changes in the design of engines could take as long to achieve as building more nuclear power stations, and opening up more

## CBI warns Government on 'bullying'

Lord Warkinson, the Confederation of British Industry president, warned the Government that if it "started bullying" companies to comply with its 10 per cent guideline on pay settlements, its whole anti-inflation pay restraint policy would come crashing to the ground".

over pay

He said: "We expect that where the Government has to use tough talk or threaten to use tough talk or threaten to apply sanctions to individual companies it will do this only after a careful examination of

Lord Warkinson who was in Belfast for the annual meeting of regional members of the CBI, was referring obliquely to the local company, James Mackie & Sons, to which the Government has denied export credit guarantees as a sanction after the company awarded a 22 per cent rise to its 4,000 employees.

He made it clear that the CBI shared the Government's view that the national payroll should not rise by more than 10 percent, a figure which he claimed had been 'invented' by the CBI and only later adopted by

He took issue with the Government, however, on its rigid application of the limit to all companies. Some settlements could be above and some below the guideline providing the overall national objective was

Lord Watkinson pointed out that although the majority of pay claims now pending were for increases exceeding 30 per cent, the fair settlements made under the current round of pay talks, which involved several hundred thousand workers, showed that in most cases agree-ments were very near the 10 per cent guideline.

"This year the difference between the asking price and the settling price is going to be particularly great. Both em-ployers and trade union negoators have to get into practice again after scarcely getting their feet wet in the tlas two years of rigid pay restraint.

"In this period I expect a lot of argy-bargy and a lot of arm-waving, but in the end I believe moderation will pre-

In a reference to the Ford Motor Company which, unlike Mackies is likely to be per-mitted to breach the guideline without government sanction, Lord Warkinson said that if its interference led to industrial unrest, or an unreasonable settlemeit inflated production costs, the newly-announced E180m Ford engine plant for South Wales could be lost.

# deficit target 'misleading'

By Melvyn Westlake

The Government abandon the "harmful and mis-leading" target for its Budget the International Monetary Fund last year when Britain was seeking its loan, says the Fabian discussion paper, pub-lished today. Mr Paul Omerod, National Institute of Economic and Social Research, argues that the Government's fiscal stance is extremely restrictive. Far from helping to boost domestic output and employment, its taxation and spending policy is now highly "contrac-

As evidence of this, Mr Ormerod uses a concept known as the "full employment public sector borrowing requirement.".
This is rather different from the concept used by the Govern-ment, which bases its target for ment, which bases its target for the Budget deficit on the actual level of the Public Sector Borrowing Requirement. It has pledged itself to the IMF not to allow the actual PSBR to rise above £8,700m in the current financial year.

However, Mr Ormerod points out that the adoption of the actual PSBR as a limiting target ignores the fact that the actual borrowing requirement suffers from a fundamental weakness, namely that it fails to distinguish the influence of the Budget on the economy from the influence of the economy on the Budget.

### Foundrymen's advice to aid productivity

Although the Government's £80m aid scheme for grants has provided a much-needed boost provided a mach-needed boost to new investment in the ferrous foundries industry there is still "much scope" for improv-ing the use of existing plant and equipment, according to a report issued today.

The report, "Foundrymen's Views", by the ferrous foundries kitle Neddy, says that discussions with 150 foundrymen at all levels had brought to light many suggestions for improving productive performance for home and export output. But far more attention should be given to production planning and control, even on a computer-assisted basis.

The report says there is a need to ensure that the indus try generates sufficient funds for continued survival and for continued survival and renewal. Low profitability hampered its ability to modernize its plants, increase output and employment, and improve wages and working con ditions.

Three conferences of m discuss the report in Birming-ham on October 17; in York

## LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

# A system of tax relief for small businesses

From Professor John S. Hall Sir, If an autumn budget is to reduce direct taxation, the case for small business relief is a strong one both on economic and social grounds.

Small companies rate was in-troduced because it is difficult for private companies to raise money and consequently they have to plough back profits for expansion or even, with infla-tion, to stay in the same posi-tion. The same applies to the private trader assess Schedule D, Case I.

Small business relief must'be simple to operate and go to those most in need. It is sugthose most in need. It is suggested that the first half of the basic rate could be tax free, so that the first £3,000 of Case I profits would suffer no tax and the second £3,000 would attract the basic rate of 34 per cent. Full relief would be available only to those whose taxable income from all sources. does not exceed £6.000.

There would be marginal re-lief of 100 per cent, as applied to the old "slab" system of estate dunty, but after deducting higher rate tax. With pre-sent tax rates the limit of re-lief would be £7,764 computed as follows:,

£6,001 to £7,000 at 60 per cent after deducting higher rate at 40 per cent=£600; £7,001 to £7,764 at 55 per cent after higher rate tax at 45 per cent=£420; toralling £1,020, which equals £3,000 at 34 per cent.

The investment income sur-charge would not be affected, except where it produces a

marginal rare in excess of 109 marginal rate in excess of 100 per cent. The maximum amount would be small—15 per cent of £1,764, the marginal band, and this would escape tax, but only if the taxpayer could satisfy the Inspector of Taxes that the tax saved was paid mm a fund which could be used only for the benefit or expansion of the business.

The relief would be available only in respect of one trade to a bona fide full-time trader. It would also apply to commercial partners at arm's length.

There would be the usual antiavoidance provisions.

To complaints of favourable tax discrimination by employees assessable under the PAYE system the reply is two-fold. First, the self-employed—and this applies particularly to the small shopkeeper—often work long hours for a ner renumeration, which, costed on a normal working week and overtime working week and overtime basis, no trade unionist would accept. Secondly, the private trader's capital is ar risk. He does not enjoy the benefits of the Redundancy Payments Act and the Employment Protection

All too often he puts his rivate assets into the business hoping for better trading prospects, as he drifts towards insolvency.

Yours faithfully, TORN'S HALL The Manor, Grendon Underwood. Aylesbury,

### Use of the telex service From Mr R. Nowell .

Sir. "What is the use of a public (sic) service if only trained telex operators can use it?" asks Mr R. F. Bell (October 4). But it is simply not true that you need to be a trained telex operator in order to be able to make use of the public telex service provided by the Post Office in this country. All you need is the ability to use a typewriter.

Although it would be useful if the Post Office were to provide at Electra House an operating manual such as they supply to telex subscribers, in my experience the staff there are very friendly, helpful and courteous when it comes to explaining to newcomers how to use one of their machines.

True, the relex can be a someat first, mainly because there is no possibility of going back to correct what you have succeeded in mistyping or to insert the word or phrase you inadvertently omitted. But I am survived that company to the survived that survived the survi prised that someone as resourceful as Mr Bell shows himself Hertfordsh to be in his letter should have October 4.

accepted defeat from a simple keyboard.

Where his complaint is justified is over the reticence the Post Office maintains over this invaluable service. And he is lucky that it is only from London that he has tried to use the public telex. Elsewhere in England, I understand, there are public telex offices in Liverpool and Manchester, but I believe these are open only during normal office hours, whereas the London one is con-veniently open 24 hours a day and seven days a week.

There seems to be us public telex available in Birmingham —a strange lack for a place that boasts of being the second city of the kingdom—waile inhabitants of Yorkshire, the North-east, and the West North-east, and the West Country also have to do without The Post Office seems curiously half-hearted about this aspect of its service to the public. Yours faithfully, ROBERT NOWELL, 2 Tudor Road. New Barnet, Hertfordshire EN5 5PA.

### Conserving energy

expertise From Professor G. N. Walton Sir, Professor Fells (The Times, September 29) writes "If we are to reduce our nuclear power programme, for whatever reasons, perhaps we should re-assemble the very considerable expertise in MHD still available in this country? Magnetohy-dradynamics (MHD) is a means for converting thermal and elec-trical energy, whereas nuclear energy is a source of power and it is misleading to suggest that one is a substitute for the other. one is a substitute for the other.
MHD could be used to improve
the efficiency of high temperature nuclear stations equally
with that of coal-fired stations.
However, not only has this
country abandoned major development of MHD—it has also

abandoned the high tempera-ture reactor (HTR) with which, in company with European col-leagues, we led the world in the Dragon system at Winfrith; an-other fund of precious exper-tise which should not be wasted. Yours faithfully, G. N. WALTON,

Professor of Nuclear Technology, Imperial College of Science and Technology, Prince Consort Road, London, SW7 2BY.

### Prophecy of James

From Dr M. A. Sharp

Sir, The recent agony of mind of our financial experts, as epinomized in David Blake's epinomized in David Blake's article of September 28, brings vividly to mind the prophecy of the Apostle Jemes in the 5th chapter of his Epistle.

"A word to you who have great possessions. Weep and wall over the miserable fate descending or your Vour riches. descending on you. Your riches have routed; your fine clothes are moth-eaten; your silver and gold have rusted away, and their very rust will be evidence against you and consume your flesh like fire. You have piled up wealth in an age that is near its close. The wages you never paid to the man who moved your fields are loud against you, and the outcry of the reapers bas reached the ears of the Lord of Hosts. You have lived on earth in wanton fuxury, fattening yourselves like cattle—and the day for alsogner has come. You have condemned the innocent and murdered

How much longer before they realize that it is the whole capitalist system that is wrong with the details can turn some thing fundamentally rotten and selfish into something good and generally beneficial—any more than a little rearrangement of vice can somehow turn it into simue ? Yours sincerely,

m, a. sharp, 49 Baginton Road.

# Peruvian Corporation bankruptcy

From Mr R. Morrison Sir, The Peruvian Ambassador had the first word in this correspondence; may I please request the last. The Ambassador has admitted that the Peruvian Government Peruvian Govern

had belonged to Peruvian Cor the government was the only bidder and the government's agent had fixed the reserve price. He has expressed himself as satisfied with the legality of that procedure but he has declined to discuss the instinct of it.

That we are unable to pro-ceed with this as yet on the basis of ordinary common justice is a great pay because it is as harmful to Peru's finan-cial standing as it is harmful to the interests of the investors whom my committee repre-sents. Peru is now the only country in South America which has failed to compensate foreign investors for confis-cated assets. One day it will

do so.

I believe it to be in the best interests of Peru and of investors in that country that the day should be soon and I urge the Government of Peru through its Ambessador to commence negotiation rather essedor to ion rather

than claim legality for what patently is a bad case. The world at large knows a bad case when it sees one and this will be reflected by increasing Certain facts are incontro-

1. The Peruvian Corpora-on, which owned the railways Peru, was encouraged to se a loan from the World Bank by the Peruvisan Govern-ment's written promise that it would create the conditions in which the corporation could earn enough profit to service the loan. As the corporation was then forced into bank-menter through its facility to ruptey through its inability to service the loan, it is clear that the government failed to keep

2. The auction or secondary a legal consequence of bank-ruptcy in Peru, but this bankruptcy was caused by the movement. Although the government. Ambassador claims Peruvian Ambassador claims that what his government did was legal, how can government claim legality for a conse-quence which stems from its 3. The inventory of assets of the Peruvian Corporation that was compiled by the Peruvian

duced a surplus of assets over liabilities. If the transfer of ownership had been made on a going concern basis" this surplus, if offered to Peruvian Corporation, would have gone investors for the loss of their assets. The "liabilities" which subsequently were deducted from that surplus so as to eliminate it, included liabilities which crystallized only because of the bankruptcy which the government had caused. 4. Notably, the Peruvian Corporation has never been accused of exploitation. Its

than a tiny fraction of the capi-tal raised outside Peru for investment in that country at the Peruvian Government will investors, it will earn respect internationally and will improve its financial standing with the world; it will no longer need to claim that its actions, however unfair they seem, were within the law. Yours faithfully, ROBERT MORRISON.

cretary, Peruvian Claims



### **London Merchant Securities** Limited

elient Points from Chairman's Runie for the year ended 31st March 1977

\* Net profit attributable to LMS after tax rose by more than £1.5 million to over £2.5 million.

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Short term borrowings were materially reduced.

\* Cariton Industries achieved impressive growth and the indications are that profits will advance further in the current year.

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\* The varied range of the group's holdings provides a sound basis for continued asset and income growth.

\* The directors recommend a final dividend of 3.5%, bringing total for the year to 5%, (3.5% last year).

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The snag as always is just how the PHA a tap the market for longer-term funds. cophecy of Finance for Industry found recently e issue of long-term bonds can be an pensive way of raising funds and even rechip industrial companies would have m Dr M. A. Sharp suble finding ten-year money at much less our financial sport san 11 per cent. That cost would of course our financial sport is an 11 per cent. That cost would of course omized in barid sten at current levels finance houses are dly to mind the sell having difficulty in attracting customers. The Abastle langs of the Abastle langs of the possessions. Here there is the sell language of the possessions. Here there is the sell language of the possessions.

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an comehow the Sandy Marshall, managing director of P & O.

siding to 137p, 3p down on the day—& O is a stock torn between long and

# mericans stir the takeover market

ere is a great deal of evidence to suggest it we are about to see another bout of covers of British companies by Amerimment's own star 15.

a surplus of assignation in the United States economy ties it the train at a low ebb and larger American comship had been made looking for growth are increasingly concern has high ding themselves up against anti-trust ration, would be islation. An overseas bid is an obvious, way to recommend in the case of Britain at the moment, Lie les stactive alternative.

Of course, American overseas investment were salready strongly weighted towards Westthat surplies of Europe. It accounted for almost 40 per ate is included int of the total invested abroad by United crystallized out ites companies at the end of 1975. And in bushing and estern Europe, Britain has stood out in sment like cases ent months as being particularly attractionable.

ation has First most obvious point is the strong of a explain rency combined with the economic proming fraction and finite growth prospect in Europe and continued outside the strong property in the continue of the continue Notable in fer a variety of reasons.

Middle East general cargo business is tending to depress rates, while the transfer of business in Australia and South Africa to the Overseas Containers Ltd associate will cut profits although providing growth in the longer-term. Meanwhile, profits from Bovis are unlikely to produce a fair return until the property is sold off or let, which will not happen until 1979, and housebuild-ing costs are still rising faster than house prices despite the greater availability of But in many ways current trading is irrelevant against the longer-term potential,

In the short-term the future is uncertain.

Competition for its domination of the

if that long-term potential turns in the sort of gains which are hoped for, and there must be some doubts about whether it will. Lower profits for the current year are not particularly surprising and mask the continuing improvements on the passenger side and from European and Air Transport from rationalization. The potential rests on several divisions of the group coming right

Bulk shipping should be improving in 1979 if the world economic recovery means anything at all, and the following year there should be income from the Beatrice field. The question mark there is whether its development will be allowed by tanker collection or whether the authorities will insist on the building of a highly expensive heated pipeline, which would be needed to deliver the particularly viscous crude.

But the chances look on P & O's side for a sharp rise in profits two or three years on and the yield of 7.2 per cent probably makes up for the uncertainties, given that there should be some profits improvement

or demand for aircraft since the early 1970s and the consequent excess of production capacity in the industry, there is much to be said for Europe's plane makers sticking together rather than operating separately.

But enthusiasts of the Europe of the Eu ● The GEC floating rate capital notes issued to shareholders last spring are now approaching what promises to be an interest ing period. Although the first dividend period runs until the end of November, the notes go ex-dividend on October 19 and investors are already having to take account of the very much lower coupon that is likely to attach to the December-May period. This could almost halve from the 121 per cent annualized coupon that has covered the opening eight and a half month period.

Welcome though the bonus to GEC share-

Fokker's problems is the VFW 614 aeroplane. This dumpy, 44 seater, short haul twin-jet airliner which was conceived and is built at VFW's Bremen works holders may have been earlier in the year, of course, holders of he stock have not done particularly well from holding the stock is shaping up to be West Ger-many's Concorde. since issue. The company is at present working on its seventh produc-tion series which will bring the

That said, the stock itself has performed well enough within the context of floating stocks, trading in " clean" terms in a range of 97½ and 101. Currently, it stands at 99½ excluding just over seven points of accrued interest and, though there could be some selling either side of the dividend date (depending on investors' tax position), the stock should remain a highly regarded money market instrument despite the prospect of a much lower coupon.

An upturn in interest rates shortly after the next coupon fixing might, of course, temporarily detract from the stock's attractiveness. But, by and large, one point over six month LIBOR represents an attractive

Moreover, it makes Britain look like a

good base for exploration of the BEC mar-

ket, a feature that would have lured in the

Americans when we first joined but for the

low British productivity. But that seems to

be something which the Americans are pre-

pared to trade off against a relatively low

vage economy. Ford's new plant in South

Wales seems a good example of this think-

ing, and one which has not been lost on

In the future the process could be given an additional fillip by exchange control relaxation, though this move is likely to be stepped gradually and is probably too specularity to be relied on. However, one

point that could make any United Kingdom

be further weakness on Wall Street. If earnings multiples there fell too far and

strengthened further in the United Kingdom

then British companies might simply begin

equisition plans look unreasonable would

There are drawbacks of course, notably

subsequent economic traumas.

other United States companies.

to look too expensive.

the project to break even.

The VFW 614 apparently flies well, but developments since the early 1970s have overtaken the economic premises on which it was built.

The oil cricic and the effects. The oil crisis and the effects of the recession on airline at least put a short haul jet like the VFW 614 economically out of reach of most operators. Speed and passenger acceptability have not proved to be sufficiently strong arguments to switch feeder airlines away from cheaper turbo-prop machines like the Fokker F-27 Friendship of which more than 600 have been built.

In view of the overwhelming market power of the American aerospace groups, the slackness of demand for aircraft since the

pean ideal can draw little in-spiration from the performance of the Continent's one trans-national aerospace concern. The Dutch-West German VFW.

The immediate cause of VFW-

number of aircraft completed up to 44. But so far only 19

have been sold and there has been no airline order for the

plane for 20 months. It has been

estimated that 250 to 275 air-craft will have to be built for

So far VFW-Fokker has invested around 500m Deutschmarks (£125m) in the aircraft and the German Federal Government and city-state of Bremen have provided guaran-tees adding up to around 280m

But more than money is involved in the VFW 614. A large amount of German national pride is riding on the plane and this, combined with justifiable concern for their jobs among the 1,350 men and women in Bremen working on the project, has opened up cracks in the transnational

The VFW 614 is the first commercial airliner to be built in Germany since the Second World War. Improbable though

A VFW614 in French regional livery. A continental plane maker under stress For years there has been no shortage of politicians and in-dustrialists urging Europe's A transnational aerospace companies to cooperate more closely and ultimately merge their activities.

venture is threatened with break up because it failed to come to grips with national

Fokker group, set up at the beginning of 1970 through the merger of VFW of Bremen and Fokker of Amsterdam, is in a it may seem, a lot of the heat generated around the aircraft stems from an emotional feeling among those building it that this small, short haul airliner is taking up a great industrial tradition that reached its peak in Bremen in the late 1930s with the construction of the transatlantic Focke-Fulf "Con-

interests

Allegations that Fokker-VFW International, the group's Am-sterdam-based sales organization, has been "pushing" the pri-marily Dutch-built F27 turbo prop and F28 short haul jet rather than the VFW614 have so long featured in German press coverage of the project as to have become received truths, irrespective of the rather dubious industrial logic behind the claims.

Such reports fuelled an atmosphere of mistrust between the Dutch and German halves of the company and between VFW in Bremen and the central holdmg company, Zentralgesell-schaft VFW-Fokker in Düssel-

In turn, managers in Amster-dam claim that the German half of the company refused to listen to the advice of Dutch experts in the early stages of the 614 project, although the Dutch company's fund of civil aircraft knowledge was one of the reasons put forward for the merger of Fokker of Amster dam and VFW of Bremen back in 1970.

Since the middle of September a four-man sales team for the 614 has been set up in Bremen. The initiative may defuse some of the ill will. Whether the four will actually be able to sell the aircraft is as open question.
With hindsight, one can say

that the structure chosen for the VFW-Fokker amalgamation was unfortunate from the begioning.

By setting up a central hold-ing company between the Ger-man and Dutch shareholders on the one side and the manufacturing companies in the two countries on the other, the

architects of the merger failed to establish a corporate struc-ture that was able to impose inside and outside the organi-

Even before the Bremen operation emerged as a real problem, the company had difficulties reconciling its business policy with national interests.

A plan to shut down a plant at Speyer, West Germany, had to be halted as a result of strong resistance from the local works council, hostile public opinion and political pressure from the state capitals of Mainz

and Bonn.

Conversely when the group wanted to switch some of the work on the F16 fighter being built for the Dutch air force to its plants in Germany, the Government in The Hague vetoed the proposals.
Outside circumstances have

not helped. When the two firms merged, VFW was mainly a military contractor and appeared to complement the civil activities of Fokker. But in the course of the 1970s the flow of military contracts from Bonn declined, making the ill-fated VPW 614 even more of an important project for VFW-

Fokker's German part.
Today the West German government is putting all the pressure it can on VFW-Fokker to enter negotiations with another major German aerospace con-cern Messerschmitt-Bölkow-Blohm of Ottobrunn near Munich.

The talks have yet to begin and if they get off the ground promise to be extremly diffi-cult to carry through because of the losses building up on the VFW 614 and the tangled web the Dutch part of VFW-Fokker would or could fit into a re-structuring of the industry with MBB is completely uncertain.

At a time when the European aerospace industry should be pulling together to offer an alternative to the Americans in the race to reequip the world's airlines with the next genera-tion of civil aircraft, the misery of VFW-Fokker is a cautionary

A transnational venture, which began in a spirit of high optimism, is threatened with break up primarily because it failed to come to grips with national interests.

Economic notebook

# That sinking feeling

When the dollar falls suddenly, as it has done in the past week, it makes people uneasy. The spectre is invoked of a collapse of monetary order and a world inflation.

In fact, the present fears are probably overdone. Floaring exchange rates have been the order of the day since 1971, precisely because the dollar could no longer take the strain of being the numéraire of the old fixed rate Bretton Woods

Changes in the dollar rate have since occurred for balance of payments reasons, without a

descent into chaos.

Also, the much discussed fall in the dollar this year has actually been rather small, at least in effective rate terms. The major adjustment has been against the yen, which is now about 12.5 per cent higher in dollar terms than at the end

Smaller, but still significant gains, against the dollar have been made by the Swiss franc (4.8 per cent), the Deutsche mark (up 3 per cent) and the pound (also up 3 per cent). The overall effect on the trade-weighted dollar index is limited because it reflects the high proportion of American trade with Canada, whose currency has been even weaker than the United States dollar, and small countries whose rate is virtually pegged to the dol-lar. There have also been a number of small country de-

aluations this year. There are two important questions about the present dollar adjustment. First how far will it go, and, second, will

it do any good?
There is no doubt that the fall is a result of the yawning trade deficit. But it is himited by the huge inflows of capital into America, mainly from the

oil exporting countries. Two alternative views of the determination of exchange rates in a floating system have been described. In one the flow of currencies, which is the counterpart of the flow of

traded goods and services, is the main element. In the other the demand for stocks of a currency, as part of one class of assets which may be held, is emphasized. is emphasized. Rates of return, expectations

of future value, and political and economic stability are more important than current pur-chasing power, on the latter view. The dollar is used both for trade payments and as a reserve asset. Its equilibrium rate must be dependent on both

Unlike, for example, Belgian currency which is used for transactions only or, at the other extreme, the Swiss franc which is held chiefly as a store

of value. Fears that the bottom could fall away from the dollar are partly due to a belief that once a decline has begun, because of a trade imbalance, it could accelerate because large holders of dollars will switch out of rhem in a self-fulfilling expectation of future falls. There are already some signs

that the oil exporters funds, most of which still tend to flow into New York first, are being recycled into other currencies at a greater rate. This explains much of the recent sharp pressure on the dollar.

However, in the past the short-term inflows of capital into America, while they may have been scared off for a while by exchange rate up-heavais, have picked up again as soon as the balance of pay-ments showed signs of improv-

Peter Norman ing.

Although a firming of interest rates in America may

months, it has not in the past proved enough to withstand pressure caused by a large

trade gap.
So the key to the market pressure on the dollar is likely to be the outlook for the balance of payments. It may not be translated into actual movements in the rate because the other major influence on exchange rates (even in these days of "floating") is the operations of central banks.

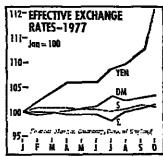
These have dominated the markets in the last week and limited the fall of the dollar. Although it is a commonplace Although it is a commonplace that individual governments cannot "lean against the wind" in the marker (or not for long) a concerted effort by central banks to hold rates can be successful. And so can a bid to hold down, other than bolster up, an exchange rate.

The Japanese have nearly always been successful in resist-

always been successful in resist-ing a rise in the undervalued yen. In the 1950s and 1950s their reaction to market pressure for a revaluation was to set up a panoply of controls on

imports and exports.

In 1972 they proposed a big public spending programme as



an alternative to a rise against the dollar, and they floated in 1973 only after threats of tariff discrimination from the United

Japan's willingness to allow the yeu to rise still further this year is of crucial importance for it is this rate which most needs to change.

It is reasonable to have doubts about the degree to which exchange rate changes can affect trade flows. Much of the deterioration in the American trade balance is due to increased oil imports. These are not very price elastic, which means that volume changes may not be great.

Similarly, farm exports, which are an important part of total United States exports, are unlikely to be much increased by a cut in price.

However the recent thorough, and pessimistic, appraisal of America's balance of payments by bankers Morgan Guaranty show that nearly 40 per cent of the \$23,000m worsening in the American trade balance this year was due to a dramatic deterioration in the balance on manufactures.

The United States surplus was running at an annual rate of just \$2,900m in the three months to July compared with \$20,500m in 1975, and \$12,700m last year. A rise in the net deficit with Japan accounted for over half of the worsening between 1975 and the first half of this year.

American price competitive-ness has declined in the past two years and this is almost certainly one reason for its loss

of market share and widening trade gap.

A cheaper dollar will not by itself out the payments back into balance. But it should help, the Japanese allow it to

Caroline Atkinson

# Business Diary: Another Odell report • \$6m question

m that its arms ines seem Messor Peter Odell, architic of the oil industry, is to ORAISUA come a consultant to the it was yesterday greeted with nething near apoplexy in the synt of oil company offices

ng Victoria Street. He is to mke a year's leave absence from his post as ecter of the Economic Instituté at the us University, Rotterdam. The Energy Secretary, Tony in wants Odell to deliver a orthext July on the regu-on of developments on Alinted Kingdom conental shelf" and on the
ducion of government/oil
ustry relations" in a of oil producing

his is all chilling stuff for old industry, which thought had heard the last of Odell some nine after rebuffing was satisfaction a claim made last year that they
dragging their feet in
eloping the North Sea.
or so, it seems, and in fact
as the latest recruit to the

ustry's ranks, the state's new ish National Oil Corpora-, which backed Odell's dell's study of government Stry relations will take him among other places, ezuela, Canada, Iran and United States. It is a part-appointment, for which he be paid £40 a day for each e 40 days he is expected to

for the department. was once an economist Shell International leum, but in 1958 he ned to academic life and ured at the Landon School commics until 1968. year ago he and his colleague, Kenneth Rosing, claimed that more could be done to extract oil and therefore to increase jobs and government revenue in BP's Forties Field, Amoco/British Gas's Montrose and Occidental's Piper Fields

The Japanese ministry of finance and the state bank are said to be studying how to enter the \$6m ransom paid to the dijackers of that Japan Air Lines jet in the country's inter-national balance of payments

If the hijackers, members of the Japanese "Red Army", are considered as non-residents, the ransom will be entered into the transfers account of the current account. If they are regarded as residents, the money will be entered in Japan's invisibles trade account as residents travel expenses, it seems.

The government would, of course, like to get the money back from the hijsckers through the Algerian authorities, who are harbouring them. There is some hope of this, since the Algerians have returned the money in previous hijack cases. It would make the bookmaking so much simpler.

Business Diary receives a numher of odd requests, and here, for once, is one with which we feel able to comply. This is to help find a pipe used by Sherlock Holmes in one of the many films based on Conan Doyle's hero. If tarybody in the tobacco or film businesses has or knows of such an item we would be glad to hear about it.

The Mail Users' Association has beauen the Post Office to



Hollowood

Government sanctions didn't work against Italy in the thirties; they don't work now against Rhodesia. So why should they work against Wilmington Bros?"

the punch by delivering a president, Lord Camoys, three weeks before the corporation's new chairman, Bill Barlow, takes over from Sir William Ryland. Lord Camoys, like Barlow, is a businessman. Perhaps better known as a proragonist in the row over the future of the family home, Stonor Park, he is chairman of Amex Bank, the merchant banking subsidiary of

American Express. Barlow is chairman and chief executive of Ransome Hoffmann Pollard, the ball-bearing manufacturer. Lord Camoys hopes to get together with him when he has had time to read himself into the Post Office.

The first job on Lord Camoys' plate, however, is the preparation of the association's submission on the Carter commitnee's report on the Post

corporation could do more to give people the services they want at the prices they can afford, an assertion with which Lord Camoys, the MUA's first president, concurs. The association was founded

last year to look after the interests of business users of the mail. Lord Camoys was introduced in his new role yesterday in the London offices of Reader's Digest, whose postage bill is £4m a year.

Terence Conran did open his first New York store on time this week, but it was a dread-fully close call. "Don't ever," he told Business Dray, "don't ever tell me again that Britain is a bad country for strikes." The opening was nearly spoilt by a strike of plasterers. Many of the pillars and walls are covered with white laminated Office. The report says the

board instead.
"There's hardly anything plastered here," a store employee confided, "except 50 per cent of the guests."
The furniture and household 200ds store is an enlarged version of Contan's Habitat sheps in Britain. At 40,000 square feet, covering two floors of a new

shopping precinct not far from Bloomingdale's, perhaps its biggest rival, it is half as big again as the company's largest London store on the King's Road.

It could not be called Habitat because that name is already spoken for in New York. Staff rave been spending long hours filing the name off many of their own-brand goods.

Nearly three quarters of the merchandise is British and most of it much cheaper than similar stuff at Bloomingdale's.

Three more Conran stores are planned for America, where Conran hopes for great things. The only difficulty is that a dock strike has just begun on the East Coast, which will disrupt supplies of imported goods should it continue for long. Don't ever tell Conran that Britain . . .

As if they didn't have enough butter in EEC warehouses on the Continent already. Tim Fortescue is sending them over another load. He is secretary general of the Food and Drink Industries Council and on maistries countri una on behalf of member firms he is organizing the delivery in Strasbourg this morning of a quantity of British foods, including butter, to grace a north heira given by the United party being given by the United Kingdom delegation for 400 parliamentarians of other mem-ber countries.

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# Hongkong fears plan by Community to lower textile quotas

Hongkong, Oct 5.—Hongkong EEC, but they would block the could lose about SHK480m possibility of export recovery (about £58m) worth of textile once Community demand retrade and more than \$HK1,000m in trade possibilities if the EEC rolls back 1978 quotas to 1976 import levels, Sir Murray Maclehose, the colony's Gover-

He told the Legislative Council that the EEC showed every sign of wishing to impose more restrictions in the forthcoming bilateral textile agreement re-

Quotas for eight sensitive items from so-called "principal suppliers", of which Hongkong was one, would be out below the 1976 level of trade, he

Seven of these sensitive items affected Hongkong and com-prised 57 per cent of its textile exports to the EEC. Sir

The EEC Commission's ideas may not reduce Hongkong's de-pressed textile trade with the

Accounting

relief for

# contracts by state sector

properties
By Nicholas Hirst Property companies now look likely to get their own way over the introduction of a new accounting standard on depre-ciation. The controversial stan-dard, the proposed SSAP 12, would have required property companies to depreciate their buildings, which property comnanies think would make a nonsense of their financial results. tracts will lead to opportunities for British plant and equipment manufacturers to sell their But yesterday the Council of the Institute of Chartered Accountants in England and Wales issued a statement asking the joint ruling body of the accountancy profession, the Accounting Standards Com-

mittee, to give further consideration to the whole question of property investment company accounts before expressing an opinion on the proposed stan-The Institute's request is expected to be accepted by the ASC,

### Footwear trade gap widens

Footwear imports in the first seven months have increased by more than 24 per cent com-pared with the 1976 period. Figures issued by the British Footwear Manufacturers Federation show that sales of imported footwear during the period totalled 78.58 million pairs compared with 63.33 mil-

once Community demand recovered, he said. EEC imports of these items

from Hongkong have declined significantly since 1975.

The EEC's proposal to create a pool of quotas for so-called "newcomers", and countries with preferential arrangements at the expense of Hongkong, he regarded as "grossly dis-

criminatory ". These ideas took the inter-national textile trading system dangerously near the brink of a progressive slide into protectionism, although the Commis-sion professed this was pre-cisely what it wished to avoid, Sir Murray said.

The discriminatory aspect of the EEC's proposals was not designed to protect the domes tic industry so much as to re-distribute trade by giving a large part of the suppliers' existing trade to other export-

# £58m export

Britain's nationalized industries continue to expand their overseas consultancy business with more than £18m worth of new business secured in the past three months. Additionally the 12 full and six associate members of the Nationalized Industries Overseas Group have tendered for potential new business worth more than £40m. Many of the consultancy con-

hardware overseas.
Recently, British Electricity
International secured an impor-tant contract in Saudi Arabia to manage and operate an electri-city undertaking covering the city of Riyadh and its suburbs.

### Deutsche BP in uranium quest From Peter Norman

Bonn, Oct 5

Deutsche BP AG, the West
German subsidiary of British
Petroleum, is to begin exploring for uranium ore in the Ge<u>r</u>many.

The company announced today that it has acquired the rights to explore in two concessions covering 2,920 sq kilo-metres in lower Bavaria and the Bavarian Upper Palatinate over a three-year period. Intensive exploration work will begin next

Interim statement

steels industry in general.

operations.

Cost of goods sold

provisions and taxes

Steel products

**Cutting tools** 

Other products

Depreciation

Selling and administrative expenses

Operating income before depreciation

Operating income after depreciation

Financial income and expenses-net

Sundry income and expenses—net

Income before extraordinary items,

Investment in plant and property

Cost calculated depreciation

Average number of employees

Group sales by product field\* Rolling bearings

# FINANCIAL NEWS AND MARKET REPORTS

Stock markets

# Hopes of cut in MLR counter pay settlement doubts The Bank of England's the second half warning took Bid and speculative issues Products which gained 10p to on the success of the offer. And plant hit Bernan replacement of the second half warning took Bid and speculative issues Products which gained 10p to on the success of the offer. And plant hit Bernan replacement of the second half warning took Bid and speculative issues Products which gained 10p to on the success of the offer. And plant hit Bernan replacement of the second half warning took Bid and speculative issues Products which gained 10p to on the success of the offer. And plant hit Bernan replacement of the second half warning took Bid and speculative issues Products which gained 10p to on the success of the offer. And plant hit Bernan replacement of the second half warning took Bid and speculative issues Products which gained 10p to on the success of the offer. And plant hit Bernan replacement of the second half warning took Bid and speculative issues Products which gained 10p to on the success of the offer. And plant hit Bernan replacement of the second half warning took Bid and speculative issues Products which gained 10p to on the success of the offer. And plant hit Bernan replacement of the second speculative issues Products which gained 10p to on the success of the offer. And plant hit Bernan replacement of the second speculative issues Products which gained 10p to on the success of the offer. And plant hit Bernan replacement of the second speculative issues Products which gained 10p to on the success of the offer. And plant hit Bernan replacement of the second speculative issues Products which gained 10p to on the success of the offer. And plant hit Bernan replacement of the second speculative issues Products which gained 10p to on the success of the offer. And plant hit Bernan replacement of the second speculative issues Products which gained 10p to on the success of the offer. And plant hit Bernan replacement of the second speculative issues

The Bank of England's the second half warning took moderation signal on interest over and the shares closed 3p rates was widely interpreted to lower on balance at 137p. mean another half point cut in the Minimum Lending Rate and brought a strong rady in both equities and gilts.

At the outset fears that the Ford pay talks might set in train a series of inflationary claims lowered prices over a broad front. But thereafter a moderate demand and a complete lack of sellers was enough to inspire a much firmer tone and the FT Index, 3.7 down at 10 am, closed 4.0 better at 516.8 with more than half the gain coming after 3 pm. In the gilt market long dates fell a full point in early trading but rallied sufficiently to close with gains of about three-eighths on the day. Interest rate considerations also spurred the short end of the market and many stocks scored rises of up to half a

In the shipping sector P & O's half-year figures brought an erratic response. After initially going shead a few pence on profits which, if anything were a little better than market hopes the short-term implications of

Bromley-based builders mer-chant Roberts Adlard has been well supported in the past couple of days and finished 8p better at 76p. A spokesman said he knew of no reason for the sudden flurry of interest and pointed out that Grove-wood Securities 22 per cent stake was taken as a long-term

Many felt that this bearish

reaction was overdone and that

over the longer term the shares are a good "hold". Elsewhere on the pitch Ocean gained ground in early trading on an investment recommendation But in sympathy with P & O they fell back and by the close stood unchanged at 144p. " Bl. equities staged a late rally with seven point rises from both Glaxo at 620p and Beecham at 657p. Fisons firmed 5p to 350p but there were weak performances from EMI, off 3p to 216p ahead of figures, and Reckitt & Colman which slipped 10p to 473p.

were again to the fore with
Moran Tea collapsing 85p to
325p after it was learned that
Buxe-Doours had decided to
my form the fore with gained 7p to 147p and
Buxe-Doours had decided to
my form spot was to be found in nad decided to withdraw its terms. The everactive Spink & Son rose 6p to 311p after 317p still waiting for further developments while further speculative interest was directed into the session 5p ahead at 81p on vague takeover talk. Another firm spot was to be found in Status Discount which closed 8p up to 100m. further speculative interest was directed into G. H. Down-ing, up 10p to 225p, Time

8p up to 100p.
In mines St Pirao met with demand at 88p, up 4p, ahead of the South Crofty début and

the best of an active tea pitch were Assam Investment up 7p were Assam Investment up 7p to 115p, Jokai 6p to 226p and McLeod Russel which rose 11p to 211p. Siebens Oil fell to 267p on the "dry" well reported but later rebounded to 285p, a net rise of 2p. News of the jobs curback at the Ross Turkey

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The current market different of opinion over the merits of Racal went the way of the bulls " bulls " bulls " bulls and the shares rising to to 232p while in anicing of the shares rising to the shares rising the shares rising to the shares rising tion of interim figures Sylven Hunter rose 9p to 150p.

The takeover talks amoun in mid-August by electric insulating board maker BS Whiteley may be close to wood clusion. The group warm that the discussions could protracted" but the word vesterday that an anno ment is near and the rose 5p to 49p. In 1975 i Swiss Weidmann group i others built up a third sta others built up a but were relieved of making bid by a Takeover Panel rule that the holding should

strong look to Luwter, up to to 62p, Sanderson Kayser 3pg 61p and Reed Executive being by 7p to 65p. But jeans grow Lee Cooper slipped 15p to 11p.

### Latest results

Latesticsales								
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icots & Con (F)	2-9(2-8)	0.38(0.22) 0.14(0.21b)	1.27(0.79) 2.9(—)	1.20(0.5)	- 6/12	-(-)		

are shown on a gross basis. To establish gross multiply the net dividend by 1.515. Profits are shown pre-trainings are net. a Forecast. b Loss.

# Haslemere optimistic but warning on rents

By Our Financial Staff
Expressing "tremendous"
confidence in his company's
potential, Mr F. E. Cleary, the
chairman of Haslemere Estates, was in buoyant mood at yester day's annual meeting in spite of the various problems con-

fronting the sector.
In the first half of the current rear, Haslemere has effected "some satisfactory business" and he would be surprised if it does not achieve "adequate" growth in the full 12 months. However, commenting on the Community Land Act, which was introduced by the present Government, he believes that this has harmed the building industry, destroying many small builders and putting many architects out of work.

"Nevertheless, having nearly destroyed the building industry, the Government now votes £100m to revive it", he added. He hoped that with a change of government there would be a change of attitudes towards landlords and developers and gave a warning that if there was not a revival in development, rents could "go through the roof in a year or so".

He pointed out that the Gov-

SKF Group sales increased by 10.1% during the first eight months

period. Income before depreciation rose to Skr 541 million (527m)

while profit before extraordinary items, provisions and taxes was Skr 76 million (133m). Devaluation caused extraordinary currency losses of Skr 75 million not charged during the period.

Bearing sales went up by 7.4% with a substantial contribution to

Commenting the position at the opening of SKF Steel's new 350 million kronor facilities, Group President Lennart Johansson

could not foresee any appreciable profitability improvement in

the Swedish end of operations during 1977. Earnings for the year

would largely reflect the counterbalancing effect of world-wide

Jan 1st-Aug 31st

100.0

72.7

16.6

10.7

6.4

4.3

1.5

39

9.4

3,661

840

541

220

+ 15

57.275

512

The figures include internal deliveries between the three product fields.

5,456 100.0

76

1976

4,579 100.0

72.4

16.1

11.5

6.1

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Mkr

3,315

737

527

278

249

-115

153

528

57.692

**5,964 72.7 5,691 74.4 5,570** 

702

181

389

4,963 100.0

14.2

3.6

7.8

Jan 1st-Dec 31st

1976

100.0

71.8

16.5

117

6.4

5.3

2.4

14.7

4.0

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100.0

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5.009

1.155

817

445

372

-187

- 16

169

671

490

58.041

1,122

307

622

7,621

Comparison tables including the financial year 1976:

Group earnings despite the keenly competitive high-stock market situation. Steel losses were severe in common with the special

of 1977 and amounted to 5,042 million Swedish kronor (Skr) compared with Skr 4,579 million for the corresponding 1976



Mr F. E. Cleary, chairman of Haslemere Estates.

ing community there must be a booming building industry. This is because in construction of houses, factories, warehouses and roads, a vast range of other and roads, a vast range of other industries are supplying all the essential machinery, plant and furnishings, etc., required for any new building. To these could be added all the professional services engaged in construction work and land operaernment seems to ignore the fact that to maintain a thriv-

## Buxa not to proceed with Moran bid

Buxa-Dooars Tea will not now proceed with its proposed offer for Moran Tea Holdings. On news of the bid last week the shares of Moran jumped some 129p to 410p each. With the withdrawal of Buxa-Dooars Moran's shares

The decision not to proceed by Buxa was taken after Moran directors' refusal to recommen the proposal and that holders over 51 per cent would accept. The Takeover has agreed that Buxa need not proceed

Early in 1977 John Sissmore

# Bank post Barran

has retired.

Mr D. J. Finlay-Mulligan is the

yesterday Moran's shares retreated 113p to 300p at about the pre-bid amouncement price. The offer at £4 a share valued Moran at a total of £1.4m.

the Moran secretary and agent, held a stake of over 21 per cent in the group. Other big holders were Dunstan Trust Nominees with 12.36 per cent and Mr and Mrs G. F. Theobald, who held 11.7 per

Moran itself took over Litch-field & Soundy in May for about £313,000 cash. L & S, a private unlisted company, operated as warehouse keepers, property managers and owners.

### Business appointments

# for Sir David

Sir David Barran has joined the board of Standard Chartered Bank. Mr J. M. Hoesli, merchandise director of Owen Owen (Stores) is now a director of the parent company, Owen Owen.

Mr R. A. Dale has become direc-

tor and general manager of Lucas Batteries in succession to Mr J. Blyth. Mr Bob Grier is now finance director of Howard Tenens Ser-

Mr Thomas Howard Prothero is to join the board of Schroder In-ternational. Mr Alastair Forsyth, an assistant director of J. Henry Schroder Wagg and Company, is to become a director of Schroder International.

Mr James Plumpton is now marketing director of Formica International and Mr Jack Saville has been made manufacturing director. Mr Peter A. Sussmann, now a vice-president of Ametaico, has resigned as managing director of Amax Overseas, Contifinance and Nafico, but remains a director. Mr Anthony Kershaw is now or the board of Common Brothers

Mr Allwrt Hallam has been made an assistant director of Bar-clays insurance Services. Mr B. B. C. Watson is to con-centrate on interests outside imperial Group and is to resign as a director of the company to take effect on October 31. A number of Mr Watson's responsibilities will be taken over by Mr M. A. Anson, who has been a director since 1968.

since 1968.

Mr Norman Barrie Sage is now United Kingdom managing director of Simonius, Vischer & Co.

Mr T. P. Durie, assistant managing director of Courage and chairman and managing director of Courage is to become chairman of Courage (Western) at the end of February 1978. He succeeds Mr H. C. Hobhouse, who is to retire from the boards of Courage and Courage (Western). Mr Durie will remain a member of the board of Courage, but will relinquish his present positions. Mr M. N. F. Cottrell, chairman and managing director of Saccone & Speed, will be assistant managing director, brewing, of Courage ing director, brewing, of Courage in February, in succession to Mr Durle. Mr H. R. Collum, financial director of Courage will become chairman of Saccone & Speed at the end of January. He will also become assistant magnified directors. the end of January. He will also become assistant managing director, finance, of Courage in February. Mr R. H. Walters, managing director of Saccone & Speed Services, will succeed Mr Cotrrell as managing director of Saccone & Speed Services, will become managing director of Saccone & Speed Services and will join the board of Saccone & Speed. Mr R. B. Raworth, personnel technical director of Courage, will be deputy managing and personnel director, Saccone & Speed.

Mr Tony Roberts has been made a director of Chappell & Co. Mr M. R. Hatfield is now chairman of Callard & Bowser, Nuttail, man of Callard & Bowser, Nuttail, a subsidiary of Guinness. He succeeds Mr R. T. Kerslake, who

new chairman of Monument Securities in place of Mr C. J. Arassrong, who remains on the board. Mr H. A. Smith has become a director of David S. (Holdings).

The redeemed Bonds are payable, together with accrued interest, on November the 15th 1977. The payment will be made by:

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# BLACKWOOD MORTON

Group Results year ended 30 June 1977

Sales **Trading Profit** Profit after all charges (inc. taxation) Transferred to reserves

£26,369,315 £1,151,078 £173,063 £108,063

Extracts from the Statement by the Chairman, Mr. K. M. Hamilton

\* In the second half of the year under review volume was reduced and profit margins were severely affected.

★ Exports were a record at £5,327,693, 20% of total sales; but competition was fierce both at home and in all the main export markets due to the worldwide surplus of capacity for most types of woven and tufted carpets. We have made considerable efforts to strengthen our representation in existing markets and to expand into new areas.

\* After achieving a profit in the first six months, Blackwood, Morton & Sons (Canada) Ltd., was affected by the unsettled state of the Canadian economy and incurred a loss for the year.

\* At home, the withdrawal of Regional Employment Premium in January was a severe blow to all Scottish manufacturing concerns and will in a full year cost the Group approximately £300,000.

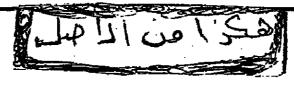
\* Prices of wool and other raw materials rose substantially during the year but, in the case of wool, prices eased during the last quarter and the benefit of the lower prices will be felt in the also fallen and this will be advantageous to our: towel manufacturing subsidiary company, which again made a reasonable profit for the year. \* PROSPECTS - In difficult conditions it is

encouraging that our market share is increasing

current financial year. The price of cotton has

We believe that customers have appreciated . our consistent pricing policy and maintenance of standards of quality and service. However, a reasonable level of profitability will not be attained until demand allows a fuller utilisation: of plant. Recently there has been greater interest from hotels and other contract customers both at home and abroad. A period of relative stability of costs would restrict the ever increasing requirements for working capital and would avoid the necessity for the numerous increases in carpet prices which have met considerable resistance in recent: years both at home and, especially, abroad where customers are not conditioned to the high rate of U.K. inflation. With our wide range of qualities and designs we are well equipped to take advantage of any opportunities to increase our sales.

Blackwood Morton & Sons (Holdings) Limited, Burnside Works, Klimarnock KAI 4HB.



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# New employment laws give boost to Reed Executive

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reffield-based Sanderson ayser reports a 28 per cent

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Pre-tax profits hit a peak of 17,000 in 1974, but fell to 40,000 in the following year

d then partly recovered to 94,000 in 1976. Sanderson

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Mr Alec Reed, chairman of Reed Executive.

fident that the second half will provide a similar result. This would see the group finishing the year with a pre-tax profit of around £750,000, compared to a 1976 total of £454,000. The self-service drugstores offshoot, Medican, which the

for the 'eighties, continues to make a loss. In the first six months of the year it lost £145,000, compared to £96,000 last time. Two new stores were opened in the period, and, with a third due to come into operation in the next few months, this brings the total up to 12. charges increased borrowings sucked £13,000 from profits, mainly due to the increased pay roll of the agency side, but property sales gave the group an £11,000

For shareholders there is an interim dividend of 3.0p gross and the directors anticipate paying a maximum final at the year end. There is also to be a four-for-five scrip issue, Following the results the shares increased 7p yesterday to close at 650

over the past couple of years Reed, in common with other agencies, has been suffering from the increasing level of unemployment. In 1975 pre-tax profits haived to £500,000 but the signs of recovery, evident in last year's second half, have continued and the chairman is confident that the worst is now behind them.

the remainder of the year is given by Mr Peter Lane, chairman of Percy Lane, maker of glazed aluminium window

There was overstocking of completed caravans in both the United Kingdom and on the Continent, which scents likely to lead to reduced demand for the group's products later in the year, while the various problems in the United Kingdom motor and commercial vehicle d overseas, have contributed

> While adopting this cautious note on prospects, he affirms that group profits for 1977 "should comfortably exceed those of last year".

Output at Planet (Glenrothes) is expected to continue at a low ebb for the rest of 1977 while management changes have been made to correct the position in 1978. For the latest half, the Luxembourg offshoot has made

six mouths to June 30. Of this the Luxembourg subsidiaries brought in £602,000.

Group sales rose from £5.69m to £8.7m, reflecting the continuing high demand from the industry, except

throughout the year.

Utico Hidgs suspended as talks take place

formerly United Tobacco Comparies—were suspended on the London Stock Exchange yesterday. This follows news that discussions are taking place with third parties regarding the future operations of certain orbsidiaries.

form BAT Industries. and Tobacco Securities Trust to

# Warning of reduced demand at P. Lane

industries could have the same

# A warning on the outlook for received.

Meanwhile progress at the

Windows

another substantial contribution to a rise in pre-tax profits of 60 per cent to £698,000 for

transport, caravan and portable building industries and an improved demand from the building Scotland where competition remained severe. The directors group's architectural subsidiary have declared an interim is being made at a slower rate dividend of 1.8p gross against than hoped with several worth-

# Shell Chemicals (UK) hit by decline in home sales

Profits of Shell Chemicals UK tumbled in the second quarter of this year to £4.2m from £6.5m in the first three months of the year. The fall is attributed to the generally stagmant state of the economy. Home sales fell by almost 3 prices have also risen our per-cent in the second quarter profit margins have been though export sales showed a marginal improvement.

With the normal seasonal downturn in July and August continuing into last month the my believes that the quarter's outturn will show little improvement.

Mr Derek Crofton, the company's finance director, quoted in the larest issue of Spectrum

period of extremely difficult marketing conditions. Falling demand both at home and overseas has put prices of many products under pressure and led to reduced plant loadings. This has increased unit costs and as fuel and feedstock prices have also risen our severely squeezed."

Last year the company recorded a pre-tax profit of £10.8m but Mr Crofton noted that the company had generated sufficient cash to cover its capital expenditure programme for the first six months as well as increase working capital. The downturn in the second quarter however reverses the quarter however reverses the steadily improving trend which the company's newspaper, said: has been experienced since the "We are going through a end of 1975.

### Humphries **Holdings** sells film studios

Humphries Holdings, which is controlled by British Electric Traction, has sold 90 per cent of the capital of Twickenham Film Studios, which it bought in May last year. The buyer is Film Location Facilities, which is incorporated in Hongkong and it is understood that this company is owned by United States interests.

The price is £500,000 cash. Humphries has an option, after five years, to sell the 10 per cent balance to the purchaser at a price equal to one-ninth of the price paid by the buyer for the 90 per cent, plus one-tenth of the undistributed profits of Twickenham Film during the five years.

during the five years.

When Humphries bought the studios last year, it paid a maximum of £326,000, with a maximum of £360,000, depending on profits. The seller was not named.

Net assets of Twickenham Film at March 31 last, after Film at March 31 last, after deducting deferred tax of £34,000, were £373,000. In arriving at the valuation of the freehold property, the directors adjusted the valuation to reflect the excess of the price in May last year over the value of the net assets being acquired. The investment in Twickenham Film stood in Humphries' books at its original cost of £366,000. For the year to March 31 last, net profits of the studios were £44,000, after deducting £34,000 for deferred tax and an extraordinary item of £4,000.

### Lawtex pleases with recovery in peak year

The return to changeable, wet summer weather seems to have been good for Lawtex, the Man-chester-based clothing and un-

preservation of the state of th year. This pleased the market which boosted the shares by

134p to 644p.
Sales rose 58 per cent to 19.77m and the clothing division made £7.9m of this. Its profits were £380,000 so it now accounts were cover 80 per cent of the group's business. Mr Gerhart Schaefer, the charman, says that margins were consistent

Although the group has switched the emphasis of its trading away from the umbrella division, it nevertheless increased its sales by 49 per cent

Utico, a South African tobacco

manufacturer, was formed last year as a result of the merger of British-American Tobacco

### Following the record year which ended on April 30 last, Guinness Peat continues to As well as banking, Guinness Peat is in commodities, merforge ahead. Group results for

**Guinness Peat in** 

Lee Cooper fits snugly

By Alison Mitchell increase much of the improvement at Lee Cooper is the many fashion pundits, jeans seem destined to continue as the programme. "Years of building

into jeans for the seventies

up markets in Western Europe are beginning to bear fruit," says the chairman. The group

now sells its jeans and leisure wear in most Continental coun-

wear in most Continental coun-tries with a 40 per cent share of the market in Switzerland and a 35 per cent share in Belgium. In the United King-

dom, where competition is more

the current year to date are up on the similar period of last year, Lord Kissin reports in his annual statement. In 1976-77 pretax profits topped £10m for the first time ever and attribut-able profits, after tax, jumped by 58 per cent.

The balance sheer shows a

fine fettle

uniform of the seventies. Already the Romford-based manufacturer Lee Cooper

Group is turning out over 150,000 pairs a week and chair-man Mr Harold Cooper reveals

that demand is still rising.

In the first half of this year the group spurred ahead with a

near 50 per cent jump in pre-tax profits to £1.4m against £1m

last time on turnover up from £14.4m to £23.8m. The financial

year end of the group is now being brought into line with that of the subsidiaries and, as

such, this year's interim results reflect only a three month period for the parent company. Although demand is on the

substantial Shareholders' improvement. funds have climbed from £28m to almost £42m during the year and assets per share from 108p to 127p. The takeover of London Electrical & General Trust during the year and retained profits have boosted both iquidity an dthe group's asset

Over £6m of these funds have been used in Guinness Mahon, the banking side, and the net current assets of £2.5m on the group balance sheet represent a turnround of £4.3m on last

chanting and processing, insur-ance broking an dunderwriting Stock and debtors have nearly doubled from the previous year. But these are not speculative stocks; insofar as the yrelate to commodities they are trading stocks covered Since the date of the balance the group's financial

position has further improved inasmucvh as the market capitalization of publicly-quoted major investments in associates is concerned. These companies receptly reported excellent

The value of these investments has increased substantially from the date of the balance sheet to the date of the report. The group's operations have continued to develop in all its activities satisfactorily. Its efforts and now being particularly directed towards the development of the projects

## SDA injects £im into Mackinnon knitwear

group Mackingon of Scotland s to receive a £500,000 cash is to receive a 1500,000 cash injection from the Government-backed Scottish Development Agency. And there is the promise of a further £120,000 by

The SDA will take up £200,000 worth of 81 per cent redeemable cum preference shares 1992/96 and the balance will be in the form of a 131 per cent

North of the border knitwear market price yesterday of 143p, The money will be used initially to reduce temporary

hank borrowings and use, more fully, the companies present profit earning capacity.

Chairman Mr Kenneth Mackimon reveals, that over the past two years, the cost of wool, the group's raw material, has risen by over 300 per cent. risen by over 300 per cent. This has had a serious affect be in the form of a 13½ per cent secured loan repayable by instalments over 15 years, from 1982.

The Agency also has the option, open until 1986, to buy loss of £62,000. However in the a further £120,000 of ordinary shares. This would give it a 15 non was back in the black with per cent stake in the company. On the basis of the present capital this is equal to a price of £55,000 and the chairman forecasts a substantial improvement in the second six months.

### severe, the group accounts for around 5 per cent of total sales. level, the directors are confi-dent that second half trading The licensee division is conwill follow a similar pattern to will follow a similar pattern to the first six months, which could see the group with year end profits of around £3.5m. However, despite sparkling figures, shares were marked down 15p yesterday to close at 110p. tituing to increase its contribution. In the first half it chipped in with a 5 per cent share of profits and, two new licensees are being added annually. Lee Cooper has now taken its T French

in 13 pc

block with a factory, under licence, in Belgrade, "There is a tremendous market in Eastern

Europe but it is difficult to get in," said Mr Cooper. In the

past three years around 10m pairs of jeans have been

smuggled into Yugoslavia over

the Italian border. The group

anticipate manufacturing 500,000 units of clothing in the

With order books at a good

Thomas French, maker of curtain styling products and electric surface heating products, in which Eagle Star has a 30 per cent stake, has increased

pre-tax profits by 13 per cent to £1.14m in the year to July based group has risen by 10 per cent overall to £10.7m. though turnover in the second six months was up by only 2 per cent compared with the cor-responding period last year. Margins have increased from 10.2 per cent to 10.5 per cent and the directors have declared

making the total 4.8p gross against 3.46p. Conditions in the United Kingdom have not been easy and the profit increase has only been achieved by careful house keeping, says Mr T. J. French,

a second interim dividend of 1.89p. They hope to recom-mend a final dividend of 1.42p,

chairman. Results at half time showed turnover of Thomas French up from £4.4m to £5.2m and turnover up by 10.2 per cent to £469,000. Back in April 1 the chairman said that the increase in profits had been achieved in a trading climate which had not been generally favourable and once again the group had to absorb substantial increases in the costs of raw material.

Meanwhile the last three months of this extended finan cial period have shown a slight improvement in conditions in the United Kingdom and over seas subsidiaries have traded at similar levels to the past few months, so that a reasonable profit is expected for this

The board is hoping for improved trading conditions and a further advance in profit from the new financial year which began on October 2.

# Hongkong Land opens with 14 pc rise

Net profits increased some 14.4 per cent to \$Hk90.8m, about £11.06m, are reported by Hongkong Land Company for the half to June 30. The interim dividend meanwhile is raised 9 per cent to 12 cents (1.46p) a share and a final of at least 25 cents against 22 cents is fore-

Mr D. K. Newbigging, chairman, said that sufficient funds for the group's present requirements had been ensured by an international bond issue in May. This raised the equivalent of 5Hk300m, about \$36.6m, repayable in 1988,

Following on another "progressive" year for the group, he said that construction has just started of phase 11 of the Hongkong Land's central district redevelopment scheme, the 45-storey office block due for completion by early 1980. All the central district properties remain fully let. Work has also started on the 36-storey Windsor House in Causeway Bay.

Meanwhile HKL has entered into the industrial property sec-tor for the first time with its management of over 2m sq ft of factory space in Kowloon and the New Territories.

The buoyancy continues in the residential property sector where all its properties con-tinue to be fully let. Construction has also begun on a development for 160 new flats to be completed in 1979. Its new township on Hongkong Island has also made further progress with construction of the nine blocks under phase 1 now under way. This should be completed by the middle of next year. by the middle of next year. The selling programme also continued with the sale of virtually all the four blocks comprising phase 11.

### Raine Eng outcome on target

The latest results from Raine ! Engineering Industries are in line with the forecast made at the time of the abortive bid for Sheffield Brick. Pre-tax profits rose from £752,000 to a record £838,000 in the year to June 30, compared with Raine's prediction of figures in excess of £830,000. Sales rose by 23 per cent to £14.57m, while exports were a quarter greater at

Although earnings per share slipped from the equivalent of 2.46p to 2.27p, the total gross payment is going up from 1.2p adjusted for scrip) to 1.31p. This is the maximum rise pront is expected for this period which is normally the slackest quarter of the year.

The board is board in bo The chairman, Mr Michael H. Taylor, reports a high level of activity in the subsidiaries and expresses confidence in the group's continuing profitability.

# Singer sees 40 pc 3rd qtr gain

etax profit of over £1m in e current year. After 1976-77's cord £925,000 pre-tax, the airman, Mr J. G. D. Chapple, els confident in his annual port that the company can a forward to "further significant increases" in turnover d profit this year. It has reed well, with high levels of tupancies once again in the meany's motor hotels and liday centres. Bookmaking d hi-fi and audio retailing about 8 per cent and operating income growth of nearly 17 per cent compared with the same period last year, Mr Joseph Flavin, the chairman, states. d hi-fi and audio retailing
both trading "satisfacily" and general catering
s shown signs of improve-

With seven successive record income of \$27.2m in the third quarter of last year.

Discussing likely 1977 year-end results, Mr Flavin said:
"Thanks to the balance of our businesses we will record an excellent year with significant growth over last year." drings eroup is looking for utilities progress this vear. is hope is based on improved iciency in production and tential increases in retail

Baring-Sanwa deal

Baring Sanwa Multinational, Hongkong-based merchant a Hongkong-based merchant bank, is to become an equally-held joint venture of Sanwa Bank of Tokyo and Baring Brothers and Company of London. The two banks plan to buy the 20 per cent minority shareholding in Perior Sanwa shareholding in Baring Sanwa which is at present held by London Multinational Bank. The value of the transaction, which is subject to regulatory

A standing tribunal to investi-gate cases of alleged insider

share dealings will be estab lished subject to executive council approval, Hongkong's

The Commissioner for Securi-

ties will have to establish a

prima facie case of insider deal-

ing and the Friancial Secre-

tary, on advice from the Securi-

ties Commission, will decide whether or not to refer cases

The tribunal will be required to publish its findings. It will

propounce on professional

standards but will not have the power to punish directly— Reuter

A subsidiary has acquired con-trol of Philip Hunt chemical Corp

to the tribunal.

TURNER & NEWALL

Governor, Sir Mu Maclehose, said yesterday.

approval in Britain and Japan was not disclosed. At present Baring Brothers and Sanwa Bank each own 40 per cent of Baring Sanwa. After the transaction, they would each own 50

Fearaley & Eger The Norwegian Shipping Company, Fearnley & Eger, is

seeking an arrangement with its creditors in view of steadily weakening shipping markets, Mr Christian Haneborg, the company's legal adviser, said in Oslo. He said that commitments amount to Kr1,200m (about £120m). A decision by the creditor whether or not to accept an offer by the company will be made at a meeting in London this week. Major creditors include the Finnish Waertsila Yard and the American Chemical Bank of

German ICI loss

Deutsche ICI GMBH records net loss of DM104.5m (about £24.8m) in the 1976 year on sales of DM854.5m. The finance director, Herr Hans Moeller, says that the 1976 loss resulted

which will again be loss-making this year, but he could not say if 1977 would bring an overall

Aguacate mine charge The United States Securities

Commission has accused Agua-care Consolidated Mines of Costa Rica and three of its officials of violating the anti-fraud and registration provi-sions of federal securities laws. At the time the complaint was filled the defendants agreed without exhibiting any violations of the law to a permanent court injunction barring further vio-lations of Securities laws. The commission charged that Aguacate and three officials sold hundreds of thousands of

Georg Fischer increase Georg Fischer AG, the Swiss-based engineering group, says its turnover rose to 883m francs (about £210.2m) in the first eight months of this year, up from 847m francs in the similar period last year. The company said that incoming orders rose by 8 per cent in the first eight months compared with the yearearlier period. It is forecast, however, that for the full year, sales will be at about the same level as in 1976.

### The Singer Company o International

# America manufacturers of sewing machines and related products, expects to record a gain of more than 40 per cent in its third quarter income from continuing operations. This represents a sales increase of

The expected third-quarter results will compare with income from continuing opera-tions of \$7.9m (about £4.6m), sales of \$499.3m and operating income of \$27.2m in the third

BRITISH LAND Board says £7.5m has now been sold and an equivalent amount of bank debt repaid, thus reducing further the short-term indebted-

HILTONS FOOTWEAR Opening weeks of second-half have proved to be much more encouraging than first half, and if trend continues through to the important Christmas selling period, full-year profits should show

STOCKLAKE HOLDINGS Company has not been able to

Group to make one-for-five scrip which will raise capital to 1,324.8m francs.

JARDINE MATHESON (SE ASIA) Interim profit 3.11m Singapore dollars, against 2.83m dollars.

Turnover 72.22m dollars against 64.35m dollars.

ADVANCE LAUNDRIES Moderate 8 per cent increase in present profits in first half expected to continue at somewhat better rate during second six months. rate during second stx

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# rosby House hopes

cut loss Every effort is being made restore Crusha Bong restore Crusby House, the unmercial and industrial up to profitability, says Mr J. Walsh, chairman, in his wal review. While it is not ssible at this stage to predict possibleoutcome for 1977, leavious are that, with the reption of Thomas Cook sight, which is subject to a im, it is most unlikely the pre-tai loss of £256.000 1976 will be repeated in

# Briefly

BRIT TRANSPORT STOCK
Treasury will make no conversion offer for holdings of 4
per cent British Transport Stock
1977 and it will be redeemed at par on December 20.

Hongkong investigating 'insiders' Proposed merger between—Tagis Investments and Amalgamated-Industrials is not to be referred to the Monopolics Commission.

> issue its annual report and accounts within six months of year end because of delay at a subsidiary. Board hopes to isne them at end of November. FIN PARIBAS

### MARKET REPORTS

# Commodities

COPPER: Cosh wire bars gained C11.25 and three months put on £11.50.—Afternoon.—Cash wire bars. £592-95 a metric lon; three months. £705-05.50 a metric lon; three months. £606-96.50. Sales, 7.5 tons. Morning. £606-96.50. Sales, 75 tons. Morning. —Cash wire bars. £689-89-50: three months. £703-05.30. Settlement. £689.50. \$2690-80.50: three months. £699-50. Sales, 4.100 tons. Cash tathodes. £690-80.50: three months. £699-50. Sales, 4.00 tons. Cash cathodes. £690-80.50: three months. £699-50. Sales, 900 tons. Settlement, £680-50. Sales, 900 tons.

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options. LM OIL was quiet.—Oct. 2290-325 metric ton: Dec. 2295-90: Fab. 75-70: April, £150-90-51-00: June. 10-51: Aug. £235-51-00: Oct. 15-51. ecces. 70: April, £250.90-51.00: Oct. £230-51: Aug. £235-51.00: Oct. £235-51.

COCOA was steady.—Dec. £2.510-14 ner metric ton: March. £2.22-23.

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£75.50; May. £78. Sales, £29 lots,
WHLAT was easier.—Nor. £72.50;
Jan. £75.75; March, £78.50; May,
£80.65, Sales, 168 lots.

### Bank Base Rates Barclays Bank .... 7%

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C. Hoare & Co ...\*7%
Lloyds Bank .... 7%
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### Foreign Exchange

The pound scored a fresh gain to \$1.7574 yesterday before clusing off the top at \$1.7572 compared with Tuesday night's \$1.7575. Compared with Tuesday night's \$1.7555. After holding the improved rate of 62.5 for much of the session, the effective currency basket level slipped back to 62.4 (unchanged).

Business was quieter than of late, though the Bank of England put in its usual stint of creaming-off the dollar at the top. The prospect of a ½ per cent cut in MLR tomorrow, and City disquiet over possible breaches of the Governsent's pay code, notably Ford workers, made little impact on seriment.

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Discount market

The Bank of England slightly relaxed its stand on interest rates to relieve a shortage of credit on authorities lent a moderate sum to five or six houses for one week at MLR (6 per cent), and attached the message that they wanted to see moderation in the fall in short-term money market interest rates which is now taking place.

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Most market men interpreted the signal as saying the Bank would not stand in the way of a half-point cut to 5½ per cent in MLR. Last week, the Bank's strongly-worded signal resulted in an unchanged MLR.

"Hot" Treasury bills traded down at 5-4½ per cent, a level indicating a 5½ per cent, a level indicating to official figures, the moderate assistance given was very much short of requirements, al-

though the market still closed at about 51 per cent, having been 51-6 per cent for most of the

session.

There was a slight excess of Government disbursements over Revenue transfers to the Exchequer, and note circulation fell slightly.

**Money Market** 

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Ruropean share prices was put provisionally at 125.38 on October 4, against 124.90 a week earlier.

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### Wall Street

New York, Oct 5.—Prices were sharply lower, extending yesterday's slide amid concern about rising interest rates. The Dow Jones Industrial Average was off 4.60 points to 837.40. It fell 9.96 points on Tuesday. Declining issues outpaced advances by about 780 to about 525.

Volume number of shares totalled 18,300,000 shares, compared with 20,850,000 shares yesterday.

terday.

Losses of the past two sessions have about wiped out the market's gains of the three previous sessions. While signs of an improving economic outlook assisted the earlier gain, many analysts considered it due mostly to internal forces in a prolonged decline.

Brokers said a continuing rise in interest rates helped break to advance.

The Federal Reserve Board has been steadily tightening monetary policy to hold back rapid expansion of the money supply.

Yesterday Wells Fargo raised its prime rate to 7½ per cent from the prevailing 7½ per cent. While other major banks have not yet followed the move, Citibank's prime rate formula is expected to call for a similar increase on Friday.

Analysis generally expect 7½ per cent to become the prevalent rate soon.—AP-Dow Jones.

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Coffee at 4c limit down

New York, Oct 5.—COFFEE,—Futures closed at the four-cant limit down.—Doc. 155.70-6.00c; March, 142.80c; May, 141.75c; July, 143.00-4.00c; Sept. 137.00-9.00c; Dec. 134.00-5.00c; March, 132.50c asked. SUGAR.—Futures in No 11 constact finished 0.17 coint below their bost lavels at 0.51 to 0.59 cont net higher. Jan. 8.40-55c; March, 8.80-65c; May, 9.25-29c; July, 9.58-60c; Sept. 9.77-78c; Oct. 9.88c; Jan. unquoted. Spot. 7.50c.

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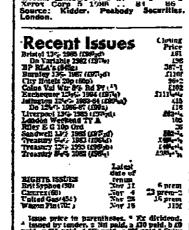
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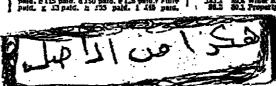
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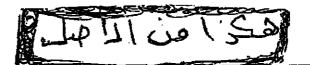


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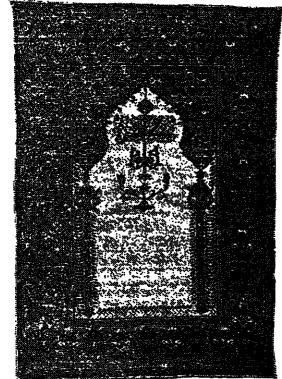
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acquired for itself an un-enviable reputation for dubious practices and unreliability. Such a reputation, indistriminately bandied about by those who have no personal experience of it, is totally unjustified. I say this not as a solicited testimonial but because, as someone who has been writing about carpets for many years but only collecting them with any degree of seriousness for about the past 12 months, I approached the problem of buying from dealers with a certain amount of trepidation. I was, therefore, surprised by the knowledge, genuine enthusiasm and fairness of dealing that those I reliability. Such a reputation,

visited displayed.

The problem about buying carpets is that there are so many types and such an enor-mous variation in price that mony types and such an enarmous variation in price that it is difficult for the beginner to find his way. Dealers in new carpets form a market completely separate from those dealing in antique pieces, antique "urban" carpets form a market distinct from antique tribal pieces, and classical carpets which, roughly, consist of weavings from before about 1700 AD, form a small area of dealing which, again, is a law unto itself.

My own particular areas of interest as a collector are tribal and village rugs, which date, predominantly, from the nineteenth century. I came to look at such pieces for the simple reason that the great classical Persian, Turkish, Indian and Cauca-

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great classical Persian, Turkish, Indian and Cauca-sian pieces which I admired were obviously never going to fall within my budget. My first brush with tribal car-pets—which consist of pieces

made by nomadic and seminomadic peoples populating West Turkestan, Persia, Afghanistan and parts of Turkey came through reading a book by two young London dealers. David Black and Clive Loveless, called Rugs of the Wandering Baluchi.

The book was published to

coincide with an exhibition they organized at their gal-lery, David Black Oriental carpets, in Portland Road. I realized that the pieces they illustrated, which were made Illustrated, which were made by nomadic Baluchi tribes along the Persian-Afghan border, were of tremendous quality, and were also at prices which would allow me to include myself.

Black and Loveless were the first, and in England the most successful, of a young group of dealers who decided not to enter the highly competitive field of Persian and Turkish urban carpets, but

petitive field of Persian and Turkish urban carpets, but to specialize principally in Turkoman, Baluchi, Kashgai, Bakhtiari and other tribal weavings, and to carry also a small stock of fine village rugs from Turkey, Persia and the Caucasus.

It should be said that Black and Loveless buy and sell on one important principle—they will not tolerate pieces with chemical colours. For them this is crucial, since it defines the difference between what they

difference between what they sell and the modern, chemically dyed, factory products which can be found in any department store and in any number of the newer carpet shops which have mush-roomed in the Bond Street, Knightsbridge areas and which deal solely in new

carpets. Even within the field of

old tribal and village carpets, there is an enormous variety; however, the collector can be confident of making himself suffi-ciently well-acquainted with the various types within a reasonable time, gaining a reasonable time, gaining confidence in his own judgment. In Black and Loveless's shop, one can see small, but superbly designed and knotted, bag faces at between £200 and £300, or one of the most magnificent of all Kashgai carnets, a piece with a white carpets, a piece with a white ground and a polychrome arabesque of flowers, at £12,000. One can also see the best stock of kelims in the world, and fine Turkoman carpets and ensis (bangings for tent openings) which, depending on age, condition and rarity, can cost anything from £500 to £5,000.

There are, of course, There are, of course, several ways of buying Oriental carpets. Sotheby's, Christie's and Lefevre's (the last a specialist carper auction house in Knightsbridge) hold regular sales and will give free advice to prospective purchasers and also to sellers. Only Lefevre's, however, gives details of restoration, although Sotheby's, under the aegis of Jack Franses, has begun to be more helpful in this direction. A new collector should tion. A new collector should be wary about buying at auction; a carpet which looks in good condition might in fact, be very dry and having rotting warps, which cannot be repaired.

When buying from a good dealer, the purchaser is told the extent of the restorations which have been, or may need to be carried out, and

degrees of wear and other If buying from dealers he may (although by no means in-evitably) pay above current auction levels but I ficulty believe that this extra cost is worth incurring for the services received. Most dealers are prepared to buy back, or exchange pieces they have sold either at cost or, if a sufficient time has elapsed, at a profit to the collector.

I might add in conclusion that I have purchased most of my pieces from David Black and Clive Loveless, with additional buys from Sotheby's, Christie's, Raymond Benardour (a young dealer in Knightsbridge who has organized some incressing exhibitions of tribal car-pers), and the pride of my collection, a magnificent old Tekke carpet, an example of what many would consider the supreme achievement of Turkoman tribal weavers, from Michael Franses, one of the few remaining dealers specializing in classical car-

pets.

Michael, with his partner
Robert Pinner, is also the kobert Fumer, is also the founder of a new publishing house, Orguz, which specializes in carpet linerature. I listen very closely to Black and Loveless's advice, and on only two occasions have I bought pieces they have adviced me extrapolar against vised me strongly against. In retrospect, looking at the pieces now rolled up in a spare room, I can see that they were right and I was horribly wrong. Still, any new collector must expect to make a few mistakes.

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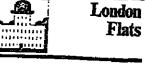
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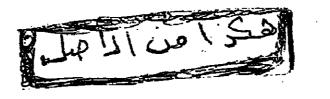
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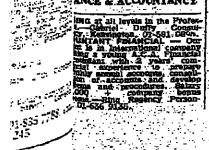
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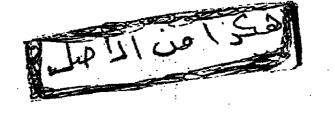
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in the running, conservely, the less reliable cars in the running, mostly British, Leyland will have inight Limited, 20 Sept. For saying so, but it seems to buy a Marina, Allegro, Maxi or invite more than your to buy a Marina, Allegro. Maxi or relatively cheap and the found there may be bargains to be found there may ree, or well as two much older gns, the Hunter and Vauxhall L. But some Citroëns and Fiars do me out well, either.

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The motorists with 1976 registration in the 15/17, the 5, the 20/30 and the 14 have all filled what Renault has seen as gaps in its line-up and in none of these cases was a model withdrawn to make way for the new one.

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Ford Escort and—perhaps surprisingly—the aging Simca 1100. The "drivers' car seem slower than it is and once the aging Simca 1100. The "drivers' car seem slower than it is and once sud—are penalized on reliability. The best of the larger family cars, according to Which? are the Renault 12, the Yauxhall Cavalier—"the most satisfying as a driver's car —and the Cortina. In the medium hatchback field, the Maxi and Remault 16 are preferred to the Alpine and VW Passat. Of cars in the large-to-luxury y class, the Volvo 244. Saab 99 and Audi to are singled out for reliability and the Rover 3500 and Jaguar XJ series points about the second-hand market. One is that the more expensive cars tend to lose their value much faster than the cheaper ones, so that an eight-year-old Audi 100 may cost little other trend is for a major model change to make the earlier version relatively cheap and Which? suggests there may be bargains to be found among Austin 1800s, mark one Capris and the old Rover 3500s.

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In contrast to most manufacturers, Renault tends not to develop straight.

The instruments and mimor controls and manufacturers, in the car is that the more conveniently grouped. But I found the heating and ventilation system unusually effective for a car in this class.

My verdict on the 6 is that, while the concept is as valid as ever, the

Renault tends not to develop straight replacements for its cars but to augment and prune the range when it car could be improved in several judges the time to be ripe. In recent areas. But wait a minute: is not the years, there have been more additions than deletions with the result that the version of the 6? It is another five door car, only a few inches longer, with more modern styling and livelier.

to make way for the new one.

The advantage of such a policy is to replace any existing model, but I flexibility, the disadvantage that the am beginning to wonder, company may find itself with too many aging cars. The 6 is an interesting case, for it was launched as a development of and logical successor to, the 4. Had Renault followed the policy of straight replacement, it would presumthe Course of the series of th of useful life and who would bet now on whether it or the 6 goes first? The 6 is in the Renault tradition of small, practical cars with advanced

engineering features such as frontengineering features such as front-wheel drive and independent rear sus-pension. In current parlance—though I doubt if the word was being used I doubt if the word was being used much in 1968—it is a hatchback offer-ing five doors including a full-length digious amount of body

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with more modern styling and livelier, quieter performance. The 6 costs £2,520 and for a much better car you pay only another £300. Renault was

adamant that the 14 was not designed

Car Buff's Bible

A belated welcome—my original copy apparently went astray in the post—to the 1977 edition of World Cars which, for those unfamiliar with it, performs the same sort of service for the motorist as Wisden for the cricket enthusiast. That is to say it contains almost all you can possibly want to know about every car made anywhere in the world and manages to illustrate most of them.

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